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GERMANY IS SAID TO HAVE REJECTED RUSSIAN TERMS

Unofficial Report of Disagreement Wired to London by Petrograd Correspondent.

HERTLING IN CONFERENCE

Discusses With Reichstag Parties the Question of Peace With Russian Government.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—It is reported unofficially that the Germans have rejected the Russian peace terms, the Petrograd correspondent of the Exchange Telegraph Co. wires under a date of Thursday.

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 21.—Count von Hertling, the Imperial German Chancellor, yesterday received representatives of all the Reichstag parties, with whom he had a confidential discussion on the situation caused by the opening of peace negotiations with Russia. The Chancellor announced, according to a Berlin official dispatch, that the Emperor had authorized him to conduct the negotiations. The Government's plans for future negotiations were reviewed by the Chancellor and all the deputies are said to have approved the guiding lines laid down.

According to the newspapers, the Independent Socialists were represented at the meeting by Deputy Bass. This is the first time since the foundation of the party that it has had direct intercourse with the German Government.

A German government bureau for "studying questions relating to peace" has been opened in Berlin. Dr. Karl Helfferich, former vice-chancellor and at the head of the Bureau with Privy Councillor Albert, the former commissioner to the Panama Pacific exposition, as his assistant.

Von Kuehlmann and Other Officials Leave Berlin for Breslau-Litovsk. LONDON, Dec. 21.—Dr. Richard von Kuehlmann, the German Foreign Secretary, with other important officials, left Berlin yesterday for Breslau-Litovsk amid scenes of enthusiasm, the crowd singing the national anthem and raising shouts of "Bring us a strong peace."

It is said that the peace negotiations will be opened in Berlin. Ibrahim Hakki Pasha, the Turkish Ambassador to Berlin and dean of the Berlin Diplomatic Corps. The Bulgarian delegates include Minister of Justice Popoff and M. Kossuff, chief of the Foreign Office. Foreign Minister Trotsky is said to have told M. Nouvins, French Ambassador, that if Germany rejects a peace without annexations and indemnities it will end the negotiations. It is noteworthy now that in the Petrograd dispatches every Government act is attributed to Trotsky.

Russian Forces Opposed to Maximalists Gaining Strength. LONDON, Thursday, Dec. 21.—The correspondents in Russia continue to emphasize the growth of the opposition to the Maximalists in parts of the country and consequent spread of civil war. The rejection of the Bolshevik demands on the Ukraine presumably adds the resources of the entire Ukraine to the forces combating the Bolshevik rule.

The position of Gen. Kaledines, headman of the Don Cossacks, is reported to have become very much stronger and his close association with the Ukraine is generally conceded. Incessant fighting has occurred in many parts of Petrograd in connection with the efforts to check drunkenness and prevent the raising of wine cellers.

The streets are running with wine in many sections, where the soldiers are pumping wine out of the cellars to prevent disorder.

A dispatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. from Haparanda reports that Kerensky, with an army, is now marching against Moscow, while Grand Duke Nicholas has gathered a great army of Royalists in the Caucasus.

The Bolshevik force, commanded by released German and Austrian prisoners, has defeated the anti-Bolsheviks at Tashkent, capital of Russian Turkistan, according to a Petrograd dispatch to the Morning Post.

The Romanians on the southwestern Russian front have joined the Ukrainians and Lieutenant-General D. G. Stcherbacheff, commander of the Russian forces in Rumania, has been appointed Commander in Chief of the whole Ukrainian front, according to a report received in Petrograd and transmitted by the Exchange Telegraph Co. The Bolsheviks and Ukrainian troops are reported to be advancing on each other, being three versts apart.

Record Farm Production in Kansas. TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 21.—The value of farm agricultural products of Kansas in 1917 amount to \$207,250,000, nearly \$121,000,000 more than the State's next best record in 1914, it was announced today.

The value of live stock on the farms is placed at \$352,665,000, the greatest ever reported.

CLOUDY WITH FREEZING TEMPERATURE TONIGHT

THE TEMPERATURES.

Yesterday: High, 57, at 3 p. m., low, 39, at 7 a. m.

Official forecast for St. Louis and vicinity: Cloudy tonight, with the lowest temperature about freezing point.

Missouri—Generally fair and somewhat colder tonight; tomorrow unsettled, probably with rain in south portion.

Illinois—Unsettled tonight and tomorrow, probably with rain in south portion.

much change in temperature. Stage of river at 7 a. m., 4 feet below zero, a fall of .1 foot.

CARNEGIE INSTITUTE DIRECTOR RETURNS KAISER'S DECORATION

Says He Can't Retain Insignia "With Self-Respect Due an American Gentleman."

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 21.—Dr. William J. Holland, director of the Carnegie Institute here and a member of the Council of the American Association of International Conciliation, has returned to Kaiser Wilhelm his decoration of the Order of the Crown of Prussia, conferred upon him by the Emperor in 1905.

Dr. Holland wrote: "I can no longer, with the self-respect that is due to myself as an American gentleman, retain the insignia and bear the title the German Emperor saw fit to bestow on me."

BOSTON, Dec. 21.—Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard University, who has a decoration of the Order of the Prussian Crown, conferred upon him some years ago by Kaiser Wilhelm, will retain it "I intend to keep it," he said. "It is an honor I received from the Kaiser several years ago. I can see no reason why I should send it back."

HOMICIDE STATISTICS FOR 1916 SHOW INCREASE IN ST. LOUIS

Insurance Publication Gives Rate Here as 16.4 for Every 100,000 Population.

An increase in the homicide rate in St. Louis in 1916 as compared with previous years is shown in the table of statistics for 1916, compiled for The Spectator, a New York weekly insurance publication. In 1916, the table shows, the homicide rate in St. Louis was 16.4 for every 100,000 population. In 1915, the rate was 14.3, and in 1916 to 1910, inclusive, 11.6.

As in former years, Memphis last year had the highest homicide rate among American cities. Its rate was 89.9 to the 100,000, as compared with 70.6 in the preceding 5-year period and 74 in the 5 years before that.

PLANS FLIGHT ACROSS ATLANTIC

Jean Navarre, French Airman, Says He Will Succeed or Lose Life.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The Daily Sketch of Paris says that Jean Navarre, the famous French aviator, now out of the army, is busy perfecting plans for a flight across the Atlantic. Le Echo des Sports will make the announcement that Navarre will most probably set out to cross the ocean next summer.

All the preliminary arrangements for the flight have been completed. Navarre will use one of the machines which the American expert, Glen Curtiss, has been working on for some time.

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ST. LOUIS 84,000 BELOW GOAL IN RED CROSS DRIVE

Special Effort Needed to Achieve 150,000 Members by Christmas, Says H. F. Knight.

SCHOOL CHILDREN PARADE

Procession Downtown Led by Jefferson Barracks Band—Rally at Coliseum.

With only 66,000 new and renewal Red Cross memberships received in St. Louis up to this morning in the special Christmas membership campaign, it was announced by the campaign managers that a most extraordinary effort will be necessary if St. Louis is to reach the desired goal of 150,000 memberships by Christmas eve.

"The campaign is going very slowly and not nearly up to our expectations," said Harry F. Knight, chairman of the St. Louis Campaign Committee. "Many other cities have made a much better showing than St. Louis, and national campaign managers are anxious to see that the effort to attain a membership of 150,000 in the United States before Christmas."

Parade Downtown. The schools of St. Louis yesterday joined in a great Red Cross demonstration, which included a parade downtown, a mass meeting of high school pupils at the Coliseum, and processions and meetings of the grade and parochial school pupils at the high schools and other places.

The parade was led by the Jefferson Barracks band and a company of soldiers. Afterward came the members of the Board of Education, teachers, members of the Executive Committee of the School Patronage Alliance, contingents representing Washington and St. Louis universities, high school cadets, naval scouts and boy scouts. There were four bands in the line of march.

After marching through downtown streets, the parade went west on Locust street to the Coliseum. Several thousands of high school pupils all had gathered there and the applause was great as the soldiers and uniformed pupils marched in. Every person in the Coliseum was given a small American flag and these were waved constantly.

In opening the meeting Supt. Withers said he expected every school official, teacher, high school pupil and as many as possible of the grade school pupils to become members of the Red Cross.

PRESIDENT TO ASK CONGRESS FOR RAILROAD LEGISLATION

Requests Interstate Commerce Committee to Withhold Investigation Until After Holidays.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—President Wilson will send a message to Congress recommending enactment of legislation to meet the transportation situation immediately after the holiday recess. Until this has been done the President today requested that the Interstate Commerce Committee withhold making any investigation as provided under the Commerce resolution.

The President still is engaged in a careful study of the entire railroad situation, particularly with the extent of his legal powers. He is said, however, not to have reached any definite conclusions so far as to what recommendations he will make. Both the President and his legal advisers, however, are positive on his legal powers to take over control of the carriers, if, in his opinion, he deems it advisable.

The Senate committee held an executive session today. Chairman Newlands later announced that a sub-committee of himself and Senators Pomeroy, Saulsbury, Cummins and Kellogg had been appointed to make American arms effective on the railroad situation and to the Interstate Commerce Commission and to the railroad executives a request for statistical and other information.

ALLIED GENERALS SATISFIED WITH PERSHING'S PREPARATION

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Direct assurances of the confidence of both British and French commanders in Gen. Pershing's ability and their satisfaction with the breadth and soundness of his preparations to make American arms effective on the western front have reached Washington with the return from Europe of Major-General Hugh L. Scott, former chief of staff, who was in conference today with Secretary Baker and other War Department officials.

4 1/2 Per Cent Bond Rumor False. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Published reports that the Third Liberty Loan would be for \$8,000,000,000 at 4 1/2 per cent interest, one-half per cent above the rates on the second loan, were denied today by Secretary McAdoo. In a formal statement he said: "The report is wholly unfounded. I wish I could make the patriotic newspapermen of America realize how mischievous and harmful to the interests of the country such speculative statements are."

MINNEAPOLIS BANK ROBBED

Three Men Lock President in Vault and Get \$5500.

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 21.—Three masked men today entered the People's State Bank at Seven Corners, a busy downtown district, locked President J. P. Ernster and two employees in a vault, seized \$5500, stepped out to the curb where two unsuspecting policemen stood chatting, and escaped in an automobile.

CHRISTMAS TREE SUPPLY 35,000 TO 40,000 SHORT

Big Shipments Necessary to Meet Demand, Says Dealers; Car Shortage Given as Reason.

Unless exceptionally large shipments are received within the next few days St. Louis will be short between 35,000 and 40,000 Christmas trees on Dec. 24, according to estimates made today by dealers in the vicinity of Union Market.

With a heavy demand already in progress, the supply of trees on hand is 15 carsloads below last year's standard. Dealers say they have been told that freight car shortage has caused the cut in shipments.

The high cost of trees has also extended to holly, which is retailing around \$3 a dozen for wreaths of average quality. Evergreen wreaths are selling at \$1.50 to \$2 a dozen. Mistletoe cannot be obtained in the vicinity of the market.

EXTRA FARE ON OLIVE STREET TO RIDE AROUND THE LOOP

Rule Enforced Against Those Who Try to Avoid Fare by Hanging on a Strap.

A 10-cent fare for nonstraphangers, in the evening rush hour, virtually has been put in effect by the United Railways Co. on the Olive line, where passengers are not now permitted to ride around the Fourth street loop without paying an extra fare.

Last evening persons waiting on corners as far west as Tenth street, to get seats and ride around the loop, passed Tenth street without stopping, although many persons were waiting there.

Supt. Cameron said to a Post-Dispatch reporter, who inquired about the extra nickel charge for riding around the loop, that the company had for years had such a rule, but that it had not always been enforced by conductors.

40 WORKMEN ARE ROBBED LEAVING PLANT NEAR ALTON

Lined Up Against Fence at 6:30 A. M. by Five Armed Negroes; Pay-ment Made Yesterday.

Forty white men were robbed by five armed negroes at the Federal Lead Co. plant, just outside the Alton city limits, at 6:30 a. m. today. The men who were held up were night workers at the plant and had been carrying their wages to the bank.

The notice was served on Warning, who is sick in bed, by Eckert and Patrick F. Martin, chairman of the Reports and Salaries Committee. Eckert said the warning promised to notify him today whether to have the committee meet at Warning's home or at the County Treasurer's office in Belleville. He will not be expected to produce actual cash, but must show, by his bank books and deposit slips, where the money is deposited.

The \$454,891 does not include the funds of the County Collector, against which Warning recently drew a check for \$12,554, payable to Charles W. Eckert, of East St. Louis, and the rejection of which was exclusively told in the Post-Dispatch Wednesday. The check came back to Cashel marked "insufficient funds."

Warning, in a statement to a Post-Dispatch reporter yesterday afternoon, placed the blame for his troubles on the practice of letting East St. Louis real estate men buy up taxes at public sales. The real estate men, he said, failed in some cases to pay the purchase price.

SKULL FRACTURED BY FALL, WOMAN DIES IN TWO DAYS

Mrs. Clyde Chumley, Wife of St. Louis Soldier, Tripped Over Stairs at Home of Friends.

Mrs. Clyde Chumley, 314 Ann avenue, died today at her home of a fracture of the skull, which she suffered when she fell downstairs at the home of Joseph Massengale, 23414 South Ninth street, Wednesday.

Mrs. Chumley had spent the evening at the Massengale apartment, which is on the second floor of the building. As she was leaving she tripped at the top of the stairway and fell to the bottom, her head striking the floor. She never regained consciousness.

HERO OF LIEGE IN SWITZERLAND

Gen. Lemay, Who Commanded Forts Has Been Captive 3 Years.

ZURICH, Switzerland, Dec. 21.—Gen. Lemay, the Belgian officer who commanded the Liege forts when the Germans invaded Belgium, arrived here yesterday. He was met at the station by the Belgian military attaché, the French and British Consuls and a number of compatriots, among whom were several interned soldiers who had fought under his command.

Gen. Lemay, in talking with the British Consul, said: "I have undergone three years' captivity, but I have had two faithful companions, which I bring back with me to Switzerland—Hope and Faith."

FRENCH SUNK TWO SUBMARINES

Destroyers' Victory in Gulf of Tarento Is Reported.

ATHENS, Dec. 20.—French destroyers have sunk two enemy submarines in the Gulf of Tarento.

WARNING DEPOSITS SHORT \$62,888, AUDITOR DECLARES

St. Clair County Treasurer Gets Twenty-Four Hours to Show Money Is in His Possession.

OSTER SUIT THREATENED

Official Says Trouble Is Due to Realty Men Bidding in Taxes and Then Not Paying.

County Auditor George Eckert of St. Clair County, Ill., today told a Post-Dispatch reporter that he had completed an audit of the books of County Treasurer Fred Warning and had found that Warning should be in possession of \$454,891 of county funds, of which the remainder, \$42,888, is deposited, although several requests have been made that he do so.

Formal notice was served on Treasurer Warning at his home at Edgemont at 4 p. m. yesterday that unless he satisfied the Reports and Salaries Committee of the Board of Supervisors within 24 hours that the \$42,888 is in his possession they will take immediate steps to oust him.

The proceeding would consist of calling a special meeting of the board for 2 p. m. tomorrow to vote on declaring the office vacant.

Warning was called on the telephone by a Post-Dispatch reporter, and asked what he intended to do about making a settlement. He replied, through his daughter: "I'll settle up when the big taxpayers of East St. Louis pay my office what they owe us."

U. S. TROOPS BUY CHRISTMAS TOYS FOR FRENCH CHILDREN

Several Thousand Dollars' Worth of Playthings and Clothing to Be Distributed; Tree Planned.

By Associated Press. WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 21.—The purchase of thousands of dollars' worth of Christmas toys and clothing for the children in this section of France was begun Tuesday by the army. One purchase consisted of 300 overcoats for the children of refugees. Everything has been bought from drums, to toy rifles and dolls, and the gifts will be presented on Christmas day.

One American air squadron will set up a Christmas tree in a hangar for the children of a near by town. It will be a lighted tree with regulation candles, and there will be a present on it for every boy and girl. Each child will get the gift most desired, the officers having made a list of the names and written beside each what the child wanted.

Article 4. It must especially be kept in mind that neither party shall consider itself obligated in accordance with article 2 to give its ally armed assistance unless it receives guarantees from its allies to the effect that they will give it assistance to the extent necessitated by the seriousness of the possible conflict.

SHORTAGE OF 1,800,000 TONS IN FRENCH FOOD SUPPLIES

Minister of Provisions Says Strict Rationing Is Necessary During Next Nine Months.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—The food needs and resources of France during the coming nine months were dealt with before the Senate in a statement by Victor Boret, Minister of Provisions, in which he said there was a deficit of 1,800,000 tons of wheat.

The United States and England will only give us tonnage to supply this deficit if we ration strictly," said the Minister. "For the civilian population I have a stock of only 20,035 tons, or three days' consumption. Oats are no better, and the feed of animals must be reduced. Saccharine will replace in part the sugar ration next month, and there will be no more sugar for the candy makers or the cake bakers."

"France's new bread ration will remain larger than that of many enemy, neutral and allied countries. The situation in Italy is so critical that I had on one occasion to supply wheat to the Italian Government. The Navy's rationing plan is under consideration, but it is rather expected that one of the other of them voluntarily will come forward with a statement in that line."

SIR GEORGE REID HERE TODAY

Former Premier of Australia to Address Contemporary Club.

Sir George Reid, former premier of the Commonwealth of Australia, will speak tonight before the Contemporary Club in the Wednesday Club auditorium on "America and World Democracy." He was at Hotel Jefferson today.

Sir George was to have spoken before the Contemporary Club at the Statler Hotel a week ago last night, but a train delay caused the cancelling of the engagement.

MOVE FOR QUEBEC TO SECEDE FROM CONFEDERATION

Proposal of Lotbiniere Deputy to Be Debated in Provincial Assembly Jan. 8.

QUEBEC, Dec. 21.—A proposal that the Province of Quebec secede from the confederation of Canadian provinces was made in a motion introduced into the Provincial Legislative Assembly today by J. N. Francoeur, deputy for Lotbiniere. Quebec is the only province which voted against conscription at the recent election.

The motion will be debated Jan. 8. It follows: "That this house is of the opinion that the Province of Quebec would be disposed to accept the rupture of the federal pact of 1867 if in the opinion of the other provinces, were expressed that the said province is an obstacle to the union and the progress and development of Canada."

ENGINEERS ARE FIRST UNITS OF NATIONAL ARMY IN FRANCE

Men Selected in Draft Are Working on Construction of Intermediate Supply Depot.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 21.—The engineers now working on the construction of the Intermediate Supply Depot are actually the first units of the National Army to arrive in France.

As already told in dispatches, certain National Guard troops here number among them selected men who were used to fill up their ranks, but the engineers are a part of the National Army itself. Their regiment has a number of battalions in the hundreds. They wear the insignia of the National army, while their officers also are commissioned in the National army. They have been in France only a very short time, but they quickly took hold.

They are quartered in wooden barracks, roofed with tar paper, whence last night issued the strains of a mouth organ. The men are of excellent appearance and seem completely happy to be in France.

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U. S. Officials Have No Knowledge of So-Called Secret Treaty.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—American officials said today they had no knowledge of the so-called secret treaty between Russia and Japan, described in the Petrograd dispatches, but they considered that to describe it as contemplating "joint armed demonstration against America and Great Britain in the Far East" was not borne out by the text of the published articles.

There is a possibility that the treaty referred to is the special convention concluded between Russia and Japan at about the same time as the so-called secret treaty. It was generally assumed here that the treaty contained some secret provisions, but its purpose was described as being to safeguard the rights of Japan and Russia in the Far East; to reconcile all outstanding issues between them and generally to follow the lines of the Anglo-Japanese alliance.

At the time it was supposed that the secret articles provided for the sale by Russia to Japan of all of the Manchurian railroads south of Harbin; the transfer to Japan of navigation rights in the Sagami River and the extension of fishing rights off the coast of Siberia.

It is improbable that the United States Government alone will make any effort to obtain an explanation of the meaning and purpose of these secret articles from the principals, but it is rather expected that one of the other of them voluntarily will come forward with a statement in that line.

SHIPPING DELAY CHARGED TO NAVY'S USE OF FACILITIES

Hurley Tells Inquiry Board of Reason for Slow Progress in Merchant Marine Construction.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The Navy's utilization of much of the country's shipbuilding facilities was cited by Chairman Hurley of the Shipping Board before the Senate investigating committee today as one reason for the slow progress of merchant ship construction.

Post-Dispatch Wants point the way to comfortable rooms and good board.

SECRET TREATY ALLEGED BETWEEN RUSSIA AND JAPAN

Petrograd Paper Prints Text of Purported Agreement for Joint Action as to China.

DATED JULY 3, 1916

Under the heading, "Secret Treaty Between Japan and Russia for Joint Armed Demonstration Against America and Great Britain in the Far East," the Ivestia publishes what it says is the text of the secret treaty drawn up last year providing for joint action by Russia and Japan to prevent any third country from achieving political dominance in China. The treaty, dated July 3, 1916, runs for five years, automatically extending itself until a year after one party expresses the desire to annul it. It is signed by Sergius Sazonoff, then Russian Foreign Minister, and Viscount Motono, Japanese Foreign Minister.

The treaty stipulates that "the agreement shall remain a deep secret for all except for the contracting parties." It opens with the statement that it is designed to supplement and strengthen the secret treaties of 1907, 1910 and 1912. Article 1 is given as follows: "The contracting parties recognize that the interests of either side demand the defense of China from political domination by any third Power or whatsoever cherishing hostile intentions toward Russia and Japan and therefore undertake whenever circumstances necessitate to enter into open relations based on full confidence in order co-jointly to take the necessary steps to prevent the advent in China of such a state of affairs."

Other Articles Published.

Article 2. In the event that, as a consequence of any measures undertaken by mutual consent by Russia and Japan on the basis of the preceding article, any third Power is forced by article 1 to declare war against Russia or Japan, the other contracting party shall, on the first demand of its ally come to its aid. Each contracting party binds itself not to make peace with the common enemy without obtaining the agreement of its ally.

Article 3. The conditions on which either party shall give armed assistance and the means by which such assistance shall be expressed shall be fixed by the respective authorities of the contracting parties.

Article 4. It must especially be kept in mind that neither party shall consider itself obligated in accordance with article 2 to give its ally armed assistance unless it receives guarantees from its allies to the effect that they will give it assistance to the extent necessitated by the seriousness of the possible conflict.

GEN. SHARPE TELLS HOW RED TAPE DELAYS WAR WORK

Quartermaster-General Testifies Telegram on Critical Matter Was Four Days Reaching Him Through Adjutant-General.

He Told Officials There Would Not Be Enough Clothing for All Drafted Men Called in September.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—How red tape sometimes delays important war work in the War Department was disclosed today by Maj. Gen. Henry G. Sharpe, quartermaster general, testifying before the Senate Military Committee. Gen. Sharpe said that in one critical case a telegram was four days reaching him because it had to go through the adjutant general. He said no one on the outside could communicate with him except through the adjutant general and that he could not communicate with the chief of staff except through the adjutant general.

Gen. Sharpe also revealed that his department never counted on clothing adequately for the soldiers who had been sent to camp by Dec. 1.

Without waiting for congressional appropriations the War Department authorized orders for the equipment of 1,000,000 soldiers before the United States went to war.

Secretary Baker, Gen. Sharpe said, authorized orders for clothing and other supplies for the million men just before the war declaration, and in June approved orders to equip another half million.

The only complaints of supply shortage received by the Department has been in respect to clothing, Gen. Sharpe said.

Department officer sits with the council in negotiating contracts.

"Wasn't it necessary to call in civilian advisers to get production?" asked Chairman Chamberlain.

"In my opinion it was," said Gen. Sharpe, adding that an organization similar to the council is necessary, but that it should be modified along the British system.

"But our boys in camp are still cold because this system, taking over your powers, has failed," said Senator McKellar.

"We haven't had enough supplies because of the way troops have been called," Gen. Sharpe rejoined, adding that between 45 and 50 per cent of American troops are engaged on army work. He said the department had felt it could equip only 1,075,000 men by Dec. 1.

"And we have 1,350,000 men in camp by that time," said Senator Hitchcock. "What is to become of the others?"

Gen. Sharpe said that by speeding up production it was hoped that virtually all would be clothed completely by Dec. 1.

Shoe Sizes Changed.

Senator Weeks said that a shoe manufacturer told him that 80 per cent of the men in one camp were wearing shoes one-half to three sizes too small. Shoe sizes and widths were changed, Gen. Sharpe said, about a month ago.

Sensors Hitchcock and Chamberlain said it seemed there was too much delay in the order.

"Isn't that a long time—from August to November—before taking action in supplying the proper kind of shoes?" asked Senator Hitchcock.

Senator Chamberlain said it appeared that department "red tape," making transmission of business through the Adjutant-General's office necessary, was largely responsible.

Late Deliveries.

Gen. Sharpe for overcoat and short coat shortages. He insisted that there is no shoe shortage.

Senator Hitchcock, reading from the Quartermaster-General's annual report, said it appeared that 2,000,000 overcoats were on hand and only 1,200,000 men served. Gen. Sharpe said that numerically an overcoat had been furnished every man in camp, but that many sizes were too small. The same trouble was found in supplying shoes.

Senator Wadsworth cited an incident regarding shortage of proper shoes. At Camp Custer, on Dec. 15, he said, only half a detail could march to target practice and when they returned their shoes were taken off and put on the other half, which then marched to the range.

"This is just another instance that we have been discovering," Senator Chamberlain sharply interjected, "of delays in action in the department because of the long route things have to take there."

Gen. Sharpe said there had been delays of two and three days in his receipt of telegrams through the Adjutant-General.

"In some very critical matter there was a delay of four days," he said.

Has Suggested a Change.

"Have you ever suggested cutting out this roundabout method?" asked Senator Chamberlain.

"Yes, sir, to the Secretary," Gen. Sharpe said.

Gen. Sharpe said the new War Council appointed by Secretary Baker would study the question of internal business methods through the Adjutant-General and I cannot communicate with the chief of staff without my correspondence going through the same office.

Referring to clothing the drafted men, Gen. Sharpe said, the department planned to call all of the 687,000 drafted men in September, but that he demonstrated it would be impossible to clothe them and he recommended that only 100,000 be called then, but that 45 per cent were finally called out.

"Then, instead of following your recommendation, they called over 300,000," asked Senator Wadsworth.

"Yes," said the witness.

"Wasn't that partly responsible for clothing not being in all the camps?"

"Unquestionably," said the witness. "It was all thoroughly understood—that we would be somewhat short of clothing and that some would have to drill for a time in civilian clothing."

"Was it a mistake then to call out the 300,000?" asked Senator Wadsworth.

"No," he said. "I have done the same thing myself," said Gen. Sharpe emphatically, "reserving reasons to be disposed in executive session."

Gen. Sharpe in a general statement pointed out that without technical authority of law, in the absence of appropriations by Congress he had not contracted obligations of \$24,000,000.

"I don't think there has been a moment's unnecessary delay in getting supplies," he said.

TROOPS IN FRANCE IN DIRE NEED, SAYS REPRESENTATIVE

Miller of Minnesota Places Blame on Gen. Crozier and Gen. Sharpe.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Representative Clarence B. Miller of Minnesota, who recently returned from France in a dictated interview, asserted that American troops in France lack guns, clothing and, in fact, nearly everything required by troops in the field.

He placed responsibility on the shoulders of Major-General William Crozier, Chief of Ordnance, and Major-General Henry C. Sharpe, Quartermaster-General of the army.

Commanding officers with the troops in France share his opinion that Gen. Crozier and Gen. Sharpe should go, Miller said. In the weeks he spent at the overseas camp he heard not a good word for either, he added.

Lack Field Guns.

"The American troops in France are virtually without 3-inch guns, a prime essential of either defensive or offensive operations," Representative Miller said. "By this I mean to say they are without American guns. We have been able to buy a few guns from France, but the supply is not sufficient. There are many batteries which have been sent to France that have not yet had a gun to train with or use in any form."

"There is a shortage of clothing, and I don't care who says to the contrary. There is a shortage of nearly all the supplies needed to equip troops in the field."

"If I stated our troops have an abundance of supplies, ask whether our army officials, in despair of receiving suitable and sufficient clothing for our men over there, ordered uniforms a short time ago from the already overtaxed English firms."

"On Oct. 31 there were in France in the nature of supplies in store and available for men there and those to come, 12,000 poncho shirts, 1500 ponchos, 7000 slickers, 45,000 pairs of shoes and 65 hats."

"I desire distinctly to say this is in no sense a reflection on the Secretary of War. He is not in charge of the world of details that make up the manufacture of supplies and furnishing them at the points needed."

Congressman Dale Appeals to Americans to Wake Up.

BURLINGTON, Vt., Dec. 21.—"For God's sake wake up," said Congressman Porter H. Dale to the American people following his return from the front in France. He issued a statement last night, in which he said:

"I wish I could take those easy chaired Washington department fellows out on Vimy Ridge—men who, after eight months of war, sit back in their offices and tell the newspapers that everything is all right when the men in France have not enough guns to equip them."

"Let me tell you if we do not cut out this endless red tape, lost motion, and do away with the ancient survivors of an ancient military system and begin furiously rushing guns, ammunition, supplies and men, more men and men by the million, we are not going to win this war. This continual talk that everything is going all right must cease. Things are going anything but all right."

"The war will not be a short one; there is more than two years of conflict before us, and that will mean the sacrifice of hundreds of thousands of American soldiers."

RAILROAD Y. M. C. A. ARMY SHELTER HUT DEDICATED

A Y. M. C. A. shelter hut, built next to the Railroad Y. M. C. A. Twenty-third and Eugenia streets, was dedicated yesterday under the auspices of the Women's Hospitality Committee of the Y. M. C. A., by the Rev. William C. Bittling, before 250 soldiers, the overflow of Jefferson Barracks, quartered at the Y. M. C. A. Building.

The hut is 120 feet long and 20 feet wide, and can accommodate about 200 men. There will be a stage upon which the men can give entertainments. A motion picture machine has been installed. Wall desks, a piano, and a graphophone will be provided.

"America" was sung and the soldiers drilled. Grover B. Simpson raised the flag over the hut, and the Rev. John Boden addressed the soldiers. The program closed with the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" and prayer.

Post-Dispatch "Wins in a Walk"

Yesterday, Thursday, the advertising race was a "runaway," the POST-DISPATCH going under the wire "pulled up under wraps," while all others were "also rans," being shut out by the "distance flag."

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3 out of all 4 of the other papers combined 117 Cols.

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Sunday, 360,876 Daily and Sunday, 193,573
92% weekday in St. Louis and Suburbs.

3 AMERICANS VOLUNTEER FOR EACH AIR OBSERVER NEEDED

Men Overseas Eager to Answer Call to Do Observation Work for Heavy Artillery.

By Associated Press.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Thursday, Dec. 20.—There is no scarcity of volunteers for the dangerous work of airplane observers among the younger officers of the army. When a call was issued at the heavy artillery training grounds, three times the number asked for responded. Some of these were sent to train with American pilots and others with French. The latter are doing the observation work for the heavy artillery, which the Americans, who have been working with guns from approximately 150 to 400 millimeter caliber, are now ready to offer.

The American artillery today watched the French handling the gigantic 400-millimeter (15-inch) gun, which hurls a projectile weighing more than a ton at such a great range that it was necessary to haul the weapon several miles outside the training grounds, which are probably the largest in the world, so that the shells would fall on open ground at the target. The firing continued as the terrific explosions shaking the houses in the territory and being heard at a distance of many miles. After a certain period the American gunners will begin firing with the 400-millimeter piece, so that they will be as familiar with the gun as their comrades now are with 75s.

During the firing a big shell burst prematurely near an observation post filled with American officers. Splinters and fragments rained down, but no one was injured.

\$140,000 CLAYTON HIGH SCHOOL DEDICATED WITH A PAGEANT

325 Children Take Part in Ceremony; Building Inspected by About 1000 Persons.

The new Clayton High School was formally dedicated last night with a pageant and masque and inspection by nearly 1000 persons. The buildings and grounds cost \$125,000, and the equipment \$15,000. The school was opened in September and is complete, except for some equipment.

E. E. Morton, superintendent of Clayton schools, opened the ceremony by presenting the school to Clayton and inviting public inspection of the building. Addresses on education were made by Dr. W. J. Hawkins, former president of Warrensburg Normal School and now with Washington University, and Henry F. Hartzog, former president of the Arkansas University.

The pageant and masque was directed by Miss Evelyn Dunn, playground instructor of Clayton schools, and 325 children took part. The pageant depicted historical incidents affecting Clayton, and the masque education, industry, truth, peace, art, science, culture and music.

LIQUOR, EXCEPT BEER AND LIGHT WINE, DENIED MEN BY PERSHING

Officers to Be Held Strictly Accountable for Violation of Ban on Other Beverages.

By Associated Press.

WITH THE AMERICAN ARMY IN FRANCE, Dec. 21.—All alcoholic beverages except light wines and beers are denied to members of the American expeditionary forces in France by Gen. Pershing in general orders issued today.

Extraordinary measures are being taken to insure sobriety and a high moral standard in the army, and the officers have been informed they will be held to strict accountability for the fullest compliance with the orders.

GERMAN DRUG NAMES ABOLISHED

U. S. to Prevent Enemy Producers Reaping Benefits After War.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—In licensing American manufacturers to use enemy owned patents, the Federal Trade Commission is using every precaution to make sure that after the war German producers will not reap the benefits of the trade which has been built up here. Such was the explanation today of provisions in recently issued licenses which required that the drugs to be produced should be given a new or American name by which they will be known in this country.

"If we continued to use the German name," said C. H. McDonald, in charge of licensing the use of enemy-owned patents, we merely would be continuing their business for them during the war."

"LIGHTLESS NIGHT" OBSERVED

Down town streets, and such centers as Grand avenue and Olive street, and King's highway and Delmar boulevard, were different looking places last night, when the first "lightless night" was observed by the darkening of all electric advertising signs and other superfluous lights, to save coal. Sunday and Thursday nights will be lightless hereafter.

Store windows were not affected by the order, but on Twelfth street, where most of the light has been overhead, the change was noticeable.

\$100,000 Gift to Knights of Columbus

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 21.—A contribution of \$100,000 for its war work by the Rockefeller Foundation for 1918, was announced today by the Supreme Officer, Knights of Columbus. The response to the appeal for a \$1,000,000 fund has been generous also.

The Last Call for Shoppers.

Next Sunday's Post-Dispatch will again present a vast volume of Christmas advertising before you. It is the final offering of St. Louis merchants who have provided an extraordinary holiday display this year. Don't miss this valuable treat. A multitude of suggestions. An abundance of savings!

LEE MERIWETHER REPLIES TO SMITH'S TRACTION ADDRESS

Propounds Long Hypothetical Question in Denouncing Provisions of Settlement Plan.

Lee Meriwether, attorney and student of the street railway situation in St. Louis, who has been active in opposition to the proposed settlement plan, spoke at a City Club luncheon today in reply to C. E. Smith, consulting engineer of the Board of Public Service, who defended the proposed settlement in an address a week ago.

Meriwether, after reciting that the reasons advanced by Smith for approval of the settlement ordinance, were that the company was in financial difficulties because of overcapitalization, that litigation over its franchises and the mill tax was pending, and that the public requires better service, propounded to Smith this hypothetical question:

"Suppose 3½ years ago I had leased from you several valuable buildings which you owned in the city of St. Louis. Suppose I got some of those leases without paying you a dollar, by bribing your real estate agents, and then not content with getting valuable leases for nothing (except the amount of brood paid your agents) in order to earn profits on three times the amount of the buildings, which I had invested \$50,000,000, whereas, in truth, I had invested only \$30,000,000. Then suppose I charged high rents and gave poor service—ran only a few elevators, neglected properly to heat my offices, etc.—so as to earn 6 per cent on the \$60,000,000 I pretended I had invested, as well as on the \$30,000,000 I had actually invested. This greedy policy having gotten me into financial straits, suppose I tried to escape paying my taxes and for that purpose started a lot of lawsuits which, however, only got me deeper in the financial hole, because the suits were without merit and were decided against me in every court that passed on them; then suppose I started some more suits in an effort to prove that my leases did not exist until 1929, whereas your claim was that most of them expired in 1925 and in other years long prior to 1929. My situation being thus, suppose I should then go to you, Mr. Smith, and say:

"For four reasons it is necessary there should be an adjustment between us: (1) Because of my overcapitalization I am deep in debt and can't borrow any more money; (2) My claim that my leases run till 1929 has not yet been passed on by the Supreme Court; (3) Although the two courts of last resort, the Supreme Courts of Missouri and the United States, have both beaten me to a frazzle in my contention that my taxes are illegal, still I am of my old opinion; I still think those taxes illegal; and (4) Really, my elevators and offices have sadly run down; they ought to be in better condition, but I haven't been able to fix them up because I have had to use the rents to pay dividends on three times what the buildings cost."

Meriwether said that before Smith's address he had thought Smith's answer to the question would be:

"Mr. Meriwether, it is no concern of mine that your overcapitalization and general policy of greediness has gotten you into trouble; that is your affair."

"As to your claim that your leases

run till 1929, as you know, I dispute that claim, and able lawyers say my position is right. Why, therefore, should I not wait and see what the Supreme Court decides? But even were I to concede your 1929 claim, why should I now give you an extension on all your leases until 1948? That is what you are asking—a certainty until 1948 for a mere possibility of the Supreme Court sustaining your claim that your leases run till 1929. As to your next reason for asserting that there is a necessity for me to make an 'adjustment' with you, that is really too absurd to dignify by discussion."

"Your tax question has been thrashed out in the courts for 12 years; from the highest to the lowest court in both state and nation the decisions have all been dead against you. Why then should your obstinate claim that the tax is illegal have any weight with me?"

"Your taking that stand in the face of final decision against you by the Supreme Courts of both Missouri and the United States serves only to convince me that you are both tricky and dishonest, and prompts me to refuse rather than grant you further favors. Your fourth reason, that your service is really very bad and ought to be improved, interests me, but does not concern me, for the reason that even if I extend all your leases until 1948, you give me only a promise, not a guarantee of better service."

To Forget Past.

"And so, Mr. Meriwether, in view of your tricky past and the absolute lack of guarantee of better behavior in the future I decline to extend your leases. I shall say nothing more about the dishonest way you got those leases 3½ years ago, for I bribed my agents and got for nothing the use of land for which large sums should have been paid me; if I am willing to forgive and forget that fact you certainly should be willing to perform the covenants of the leases you thus got to your great advantage and at the comparatively small cost of the brood with which you bribed my agents."

"My Public Service Commission proposes to make you live up to your agreements and improve your elevators and clean up your offices. If

you won't, or if, because of your piratical financial policy, you can't do it, then you will have to get out and give over the running of these buildings either to me or to some one whom I may secure to manage them. I will pay you for those buildings what they are actually worth, by which I mean what it would cost me to duplicate them, with a reasonable discount to allow for the run-down, depreciated condition into which you have allowed your buildings to fall."

Meriwether branded the provision of the settlement that betterments and extensions can be enforced by the city when the company is earning a reasonable return on its investment as a "joker." He said there could be no doubt that the "shrewd financiers of the United Railways" would see to it that no reasonable return was made.

He condemned the contract for Keokuk power made on a basis of the price of coal, saying that such contracts prevented the United Railways from showing a surplus in its treasury and that they furnish "juicy dividends to friendly corporations with which the United Railways financiers are allied."

Denounces Valuation.

He denounced the valuation of \$60,000,000 placed on United Railways property by Smith as a "guess" and proceeded to show that it included nearly \$3,000,000 valuation of a cable line which long ago went out of existence and that the company's real estate was valued by Smith at \$750,000 more than it was valued by the St. Louis Public Service Commission.

The provision for the St. Louis Court of Appeals to name one member of the board, Meriwether branded as a "crime" because it would be an incentive for the company to attempt to control the judiciary.

In concluding, he pointed out that the courts had held the mill tax valid, and yet Smith urged as a reason for the adoption of the proposal that the company would make the "concession" of paying the tax due to Dec. 31, 1916, in installments and would agree to "adjust" the tax which has accumulated this year.

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SWIFT & CO. REFUSE TO SHOW RECORDS TO FEDERAL BOARD

Trade Commission Will Ask Court to Compel Packers to Obey Investigators.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Swift & Co. of Chicago have refused to furnish records desired by the commission in the investigation of the packing industry and drastic action will be taken in court to force their production, Francis J. Heney, attorney for the Federal Board, announced today at the resumption of the commission's inquiry.

Details of the plan for obtaining control of the Chicago Junction Railway and the Union Stockyards Co. were unfolded by W. M. Wadden, former treasurer of the company, who said he was a partner in F. H. Heney & Co. of Chicago, but some times took shorthand dictation from Prince. Two pages of shorthand notes were identified by Wadden as having been taken by him in 1911.

Plat admission that J. Ogden Armour and F. H. Prince own the Chicago Stockyards Co., controlling the Chicago Stockyards and Terminal Railroads, was made by Wadden. Although the stock appears in the name of Frank R. Pegram, secretary of the company, Wadden said he knew who the real owners were.

Notes Told of Scheme.

The notes were headed "Proposition" and set forth how Prince and J. Ogden Armour were to obtain control of the Junction Railways Co. Then came a subhead, "Scheme," which detailed how the new corporation, the Chicago Stockyards Co., was to be formed and obtain the control of the yards and railroads held by the other company.

Letters were introduced to show that Prince controlled the operations of the Chicago Stockyards Co. the

officers and directors, being party dummies.

J. Lothrop Motley, the company's attorney, wrote Wadden regarding an annual meeting: "It would like to know if you would like to have the present directors re-elected, or what action you wish to take."

A cablegram from Prince, who was in Europe, was introduced, which said:

"If Palmer says see A, say I think half charge to packers if A thinks all should not have been charged."

Referred to J. Ogden Armour.

It was brought out that the "A" referred to J. Ogden Armour and that the Palmer mentioned was Bradley Palmer, counsel for Prince.

This cablegram referred to the charges incurred in getting control of the common stock of the Chicago Junction Railway, did it not?" asked Heney. "The attorney's fee alone amounted to \$70,000." "I think it may have," Wadden replied.

A letter from Wadden to Croll said that he was leaving "for the present" the Chicago Stockyards Co.'s \$1,000,000 on deposit in the Merchants' National Bank of Boston "for the moral effect." Two days later he admitted \$400,000 was withdrawn and lent to Prince, but he insisted that he obtained proper securities. He also testified that Armour borrowed \$200,000.

GAS COMPANY TO PAY 2 BONUSES

Week's Salary for Christmas and Part of Earnings for Employees.

The Board of Directors of the Laclede Gas Light Co. today announced a Christmas bonus of a week's salary to each of its 1300 employees. In addition it was announced that on Feb. 20 an additional bonus would be granted employees based on the earnings of the company for the year.

Last year this bonus amounted to 10 per cent of a year's salary. It is not expected to be so large this year, the announcement states.

Boy Says He Was Held Up.

Marshall Lawitz, 12 years old, of 1424 Blair avenue, told the police that three older boys held him up with knives at Blair avenue and O'Fallon street yesterday afternoon and took his watch.

Can Desperate Germany Break Through?

Germany's profest contempt for America's war preparations is somewhat belied by evidences of her desperate determination to win before our soldiers arrive in force. Thus dispatches tell of westward-moving German troop-trains congesting the roads to Flanders, of Austrian forces shifted to the French front, and of a growing intensity of Teutonic artillery-fire along the whole Western line. Advices that leak out from Germany all indicate that the Kaiser's only hope of victory lies in delivering a "knock-out" blow, before American forces can get into the field.

In THE LITERARY DIGEST for December 22d, one of the leading articles deals with the possibilities in the German drive on the Western front, and how it may affect the Allies' chances of victory. Other features are:

Turning the Light on Our War Activities

Editorial Opinion Upon the Charges Before Congress of a Lack of Efficiency in Our War Administration.

Is the U. S. Government Competent to Run the Railroads?

Germany's Deep-Laid Plot Against U. S. When the Germans Awake Building Cities While You Wait Wanted: A Clothes Administration Daylight in the Workshops Fooling the Enemy's Eye Christmas in the Redeemed Jerusalem India's Christians for Free India News of Finance and Industry

A Revenue Tax That Passeth Understanding

Fixing the Blame for the Halifax Tragedy German Wails Over Submarine Failure Transportation Evils and Remedies (Prepared by the U. S. Food Administration) The Best Food to Fight On Good Results From Poor Fuel Heifetz; New Wizard of the Violin When the Soldier "Goes West" Best of the Current Poetry

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LOYD GEORGE DISCUSSES GERMAN COLONIES' FUTURE

**Says Trustees of Countries Must
Take Into Account the Sentiments
of People Themselves.**

NO TERRITORY IS SOUGHT

**"League of Nations, With German
Militarism Triumphant
Would Be Hollow Farce."**

LONDON, Dec. 21.—Premier Lloyd George, in his speech in the House of Commons yesterday, touched on the question of war aims.

As for the disposition of the German colonies, the Premier said, that must be settled by the peace congress. The future trustees of those countries must take into account the sentiments of the people themselves.

The Premier told his hearers that a league of nations in which Germany was represented by triumphant militarism would be a hollow farce. Great Britain did not enter the war, the Premier asserted, to increase by a yard the territory of anyone else, but because of the belief that Britain's honor, the question of standing by her word, was involved.

The next few months, said Lloyd George, would be most trying ones, as one great Power had gone out and another had not fully come in.

Complete restoration of the territories taken by the enemy, together with compensation, was demanded by the Premier.

Future Opinion of Events.

"If we could project ourselves into the year 2000 what would be the opinion of many of the events of today?" asked the Premier.

"No doubt the Russian revolution would hold a conspicuous place. Another feature would be the advent of America for the first time, not into the war, but into world politics—a gigantic event of itself.

The next event would be the conquest of Mesopotamia and Palestine and the release of Arabia from the domination of Turkey. Another event would be the setting of the interallied council."

The Premier said that at this council would be discussed and decided questions which would have a greater effect on international relations than anyone could imagine. So far it had been free from factional feeling and had helped to remove friction. The various countries have found that it means the removal of friction in discussing and interchanging views, and he had no doubt it would have a great influence in the

direction of the economic policy of the four governments represented. The allies would have a potent influence in unifying the war and economic strategy of the allies.

New Burdens for Allies. The necessity of sending troops to Italy and the Russian armistice, the Premier said, had increased the anxieties of the allies, and cast further obligations on them.

"It is therefore absolutely necessary," he declared, "for the security of our armies and our country and for the defense of our allies that this country should make greater sacrifices in order to strengthen the armies in the field during the coming year."

The pledges given to labor in 1916 regarding men exempted, he added, would either have to be altered or canceled, and Sir Auckland Geddes, Minister of National Service, had called a conference for next week to consider the matter.

Another circumstance which impelled the Government to make a further demand upon the man-power of the country was that under present conditions they had been forced to send men back to the fighting line who had been repeatedly wounded. That was unfair and intolerable while there were men who had never been in the front.

One Power Out of War.

As to future prospects, continued the Premier, one great Power had practically gone out of the war, and another great Power had not fully come in, and therefore the burden on Britain would be considerable.

"But we must not imagine that the enemy has not had his difficulties," he said. "We had proof of that the other day when facts were given to us as to the deteriorated physical quality of the German workers as a result of the blockade imposed by the British navy. The German workers have so deteriorated that the output of Germany per man has gone down by something like 33 per cent, compared with the first year of the war."

"What are the prospects?" asked the Premier. "France's losses, no doubt, have been serious. Despite the reverses which Italy has endured, her losses are not to be compared with those of Austria, and, despite the losses inflicted on us, the permanent loss to the British army is not more than one-fourth or one-fifth of the permanent losses endured by the Germans. If we take the reserve man-power of the nations allied against Germany it will be found to be more than twice as great as that of Germany and her allies."

The Russian Situation. Since Russia had entered into separate peace negotiations, Lloyd George declared, she must be responsible for the protection of her own territory, and that also disposed of any question there was about Constantinople. He continued:

"We have conquered no country where the population belonged to the governing race. We have not acquired a single yard of territory where there is a German population. With regard to the captured German colonies, the peace conference must settle about them on the principle of respecting the desires of the people of those colonies

themselves. We have laid that down and we stand by it.

"We did not enter the war to annex a single yard of anybody's territory. We entered the war because we believed that the honor of Britain was involved in standing by her word."

The Premier declared that the war was forced upon the world by the arrogance of the military caste in Prussia, which, he added, "were prepared to overthrow their own ruler and set up another who was more in sympathy with their aims."

"Until that temper is broken there can never be peace in the world. That is why he said—whether it was President Wilson or Mr. Asquith—that victory was essential. It was not because it suffered some low vindictive sense in the human nature merely to punish, but because we realized that victory was the only thing that could give reality to peace terms. A league of nations, in which Germany was represented by a military caste triumphant, would be a hollow farce. The people of Germany must be heard. That is why victory itself is more important than mere terms."

"Victory alone will give reality to the terms, and that is also the reason why the Government, after mature reflection, decided to ask to be equipped with greater powers to enable us to increase the means we needed."

Although allied hopes had not been realized before the Russian collapse, the Premier said the Germans had not been able to quite hold their own in the West.

He declared that it was "idle to pretend" that the hopes formed at the beginning of the year in regard to the military situation had been realized. At the beginning of the year the Russian army was better equipped than at any period of the war and its collapse was not due to unskilled leadership or lack of valor on the part of the troops. Had the Russian army continued to collaborate with the Anglo-French and Italian armies in pressing the Germans, "we should have been able to bring such pressure on the Russian army as to inflict a decisive defeat upon them."

Germans Had Lost Much.

On the Western front the Germans had been beaten in many battles. The Premier declared they had lost 100,000 prisoners, valuable ground and hundreds of guns. While the campaign in France had not realized the expectations formed there had been military successes which he returned to say would have a permanent effect on the future of the world. The Premier said he returned to the capture of Baghdad and Jerusalem, adding:

"These two great events added more to the prestige of Great Britain throughout the world than any event in the whole course of the war. A good deal has been said about 'side shows' but Great Britain owes a good deal to these."

Premier Lloyd George referred to the fact that the aggregate shipbuilding at the present, when millions of persons were taken from labor, was above the boom year of 1913 and declared it was a very creditable performance.

The destruction of German submarines, he said, had gone up steadily during the year. This was remarkable and encouraging, because it showed how admirably the shipping controller really was grappling with the most menacing situation with which Great Britain is confronted in this war.

The effect of Government control of shipping, the Premier continued, was that although the aggregate tonnage was down by something like 20 per cent, Great Britain had lost only six per cent of her imports. This was only six per cent less than last year in tons. Had it not been for the skillful way in which shipping had been handled it would have been impossible for Great Britain to carry through this year and to help the allies to the extent she had. Life in the shipping had been lighter by hundreds of thousands of tons than he had anticipated in his August estimate.

Minister of Blockade Speaks.

Lord Robert Cecil, Minister of blockade, told the House he did not advocate, and he did not believe any member of the Government advocated, an economic war after the war, but he could not agree that Great Britain should show of raw materials for the sake of supplying Germany.

He could not state the ultimate terms of peace that the British seek, but he would never abandon undertakings given to the allies. He looked forward to a stronger alliance of Great Britain and the allies with the United States.

A league of nations must be one object of any peace, the Minister declared. He would not remain a member of any Government which did not make the establishment of such a league one of its main objects.

Ponsonby Is Answered.

Foreign Secretary Balfour, in the House Wednesday, made a spirited reply to attacks by Arthur Ponsonby, Liberal member for Strirlingburgh, a pacifist, regarding the war aims of Great Britain and her allies, the published versions of which Ponsonby said did not tally with the proposals of the secret treaties.

Balfour declared that President Wilson's statements on war policy were absolutely identical in spirit with those of the leaders of thought in Great Britain. He did not think there had been in the whole history of the war more powerful state documents than those issued by the President.

Great Britain, continued the Foreign Secretary, never desired or encouraged the idea that a bit of Germany should be severed from the parent state and erected into a sort of independent republic or buffer state on the left bank of the Rhine.

The Government, he declared, had never been aware that such a proposal was seriously entertained by any French statesman, and he protested against the British Government being charged with lack of faith or honesty on such a flimsy foundation.

NINE QUESTIONNAIRES UNCLAIMED

Papers Returned to Twenty-Fifth Ward Board.

Questionnaires of nine men have been returned to the Twenty-fifth Ward board by the postal authorities as unclaimed.

The men are: James A. Roberts, 1050 South King's highway; Walter Meyers, 4078 Page avenue; Oliver B. Thornton, 446 West Belmont; George Hoff, 4960 Laclede avenue; Nick Roulias, 743 Aubert avenue; Louis N. Felix, 764 Bayard avenue; George Adea, Frisco Hospital; Carl G. Knox, 4489 Washington avenue; Andrew E. Blitzer, 4529 Morgan street.

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PAUL O. SOMMER SUE BY WIFE

Divorce Sought on Ground of His Conviction of Forgery.

Paul O. Sommer, former president of the St. Louis branch of the German-American Alliance, who was convicted December 15 on a charge of forgery and sentenced to the penitentiary for two years, was sued for divorce yesterday by Gertrude Sommer, to whom he was married in July, 1915. She gives the date of their separation as Oct. 15 last. Her only allegation is the fact that her husband was convicted of a penitentiary offense.

Sommer's first wife, Nancy Sommer, divorced him in 1912.

Busy Bee Baskets, Bags, Boxes.

Bags of rare and distinctive patterns and fabrics. Boxes all shapes and sizes. Baskets plain or painted, silk or satin lined, handsomely decorated. These filled with Busy Bee Candles make the most appropriate holiday gifts—ADV.

CHRISTMAS MAIL DELIVERIES

Postmaster Plans to Clean Up All Matter in Offices.

Postmaster Selph said today that there will be deliveries on Christmas day, so as to have all Christmas mail reach its destination before Christmas night.

"We intend to clean it up," he said. "There won't even be a post card in this office Christmas night."

Assorted Taffies, 15c lb. At the Olympia, 718 Franklin—ADV.

Recommended As King's Advisor. WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Prof. James, head of the University of Missouri Law School, has been recommended by the Siamese Minister for appointment as diplomatic advisor to the King of Siam. The position pays \$15,000 a year and expenses.

Woman, 74, Hit by Car, Loses Purse. Mrs. Anna Sellner, 74 years old, of 4540 Duncan avenue, was knocked down by an Olive car at Eighth and Olive streets last evening. She was cut on the face. Later she missed her purse containing \$5.60.

lines during the day northeast of Arrandieres, and north of the Meuse road, but were driven off by our fire. We captured a few prisoners and a machine gun.

Strong Attack on Lorraine Broken up by the French.

PARIS, Dec. 21.—A strong German attack against the French trenches north of Reims in Lorraine was repulsed, the War Office announced last night. Numerous enemy dead were counted.

Yesterday German airplanes dropped bombs in the region of Dunkirk and Calais. Four persons were killed and 10 wounded, the statement said.

ITALIAN HEADQUARTERS IN NORTHERN ITALY, WEDNESDAY, Dec. 19.—The situation in the northern fighting zone has assumed a more serious aspect with the enemy's occupation of Monte Asolone, where there is a stretch of hills between Lim and the level plain, Monte Asolone is the last of the heights in that section with an altitude of more than 4000 feet high, and snowless, except during a severe winter.

This remaining stretch of hills is about six miles across, with Bassano four miles further on. The enemy's heavy guns already have the range beyond Bassano.

The drive to Mount Asolone takes the enemy line some distance south of the Italian and allied positions on the Upper Piave. The exact positions of the British and French forces cannot be stated, but, generally speaking, they are not at the extremities, and it appears to be part of the enemy's cunning to strike at the extremities where the Italians are holding single-handed.

The place where the enemy gained a foothold, on the west bank of the Old Piave, and was driven back to the water's edge, is the nearest point he has approached to Venice, but this is not regarded as a serious menace to the city, as the remaining stretch is a marsh of lagoons and the occupied point is within range of the warships off the mouth of the river.

Germans Capture a British Post East of Messines.

LONDON, Dec. 21.—The official report from Field Marshal Haig's headquarters last night said:

"The enemy raided one of our posts early in the morning northeast of Hargreave, and this afternoon, under cover of fog, succeeded in capturing one of our advanced posts east of Messines. Other hostile raiding parties attempted to approach our

TEUTONS' SUCCESS MAKES SITUATION IN ITALY CRITICAL

**Capture of Mountain Puts In-
vaders South of Position of
British and French.**

ROME, Dec. 21.—A considerable portion of the ground gained by the enemy on Tuesday in the region of Monte Asolone, on the northern front east of the Brenta river, has been retaken by the Italians, the War Office announces.

A jury in Judge Falkenhainer's court today returned a sealed verdict of guilty in the case of Henry Finkelstein of 1414 Franklin avenue, charged with murdering Thomas Mulrooney of 3215A Rutger street, Sept. 17, 1915. His punishment was fixed at 10 years' imprisonment.

At a former trial Finkelstein was found guilty and the penalty was made life imprisonment, but he appealed to the State Supreme Court, which remanded the case on the ground that Judge Fisher had erred in instructing the jury that it should consider the interest which Finkelstein and his wife had in testifying in his behalf.

Finkelstein shot and killed Mulrooney near Twenty-second and Olive streets. He alleged that Mulrooney caused him and his wife to become separated and testified he had been warned Mulrooney had threatened to "get" him. Following today's verdict, his attorneys filed a motion for a new trial. Finkelstein is a nephew of Abe Slesky.

NEW RAINBOW DIVISION LEADER

Gen. Mann, Unable to Stand Field

Hardships, Is Relieved.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Major-General William A. Mann, who commanded the celebrated Rainbow Division, which took national guardsmen from many states in the Union to the battlefields of France, has been relieved because of physical inability to stand field duties, and will return to the United States to be retired next July.

His successor has not been announced.

Enemy Alien Depository Chosen.

The Mississippi Valley Trust Co. has been designated depository in St. Louis for enemy alien property under the trading with the enemy act.

Change of Venue Denied.

They filed a motion for a change of venue. This was overruled by Judge Slate, who declared it frivolous. They then asked for time in which to apply to the Supreme Court for a writ of prohibition. This, too, was denied. Judge Slate ordered them to proceed with the case and they refused, asserting the Court was without further jurisdiction.

A heated colloquy occurred

between Slate and Ewing, which ended with the contempt order.

Huff holds that the state had the right under the common law to a change of venue in a criminal case and that this right had not been taken away by statute.

Huff holds also that the language of the commitment charging Ewing and Howell with contempt is insufficient.

In a finding of facts Huff holds:

1. That at all times the conduct and attitude of Ewing and Howell toward Judge Slate was respectfully courteous and that there was no purpose or intent upon their part to show disrespect toward the Court.

2. That in filing the change of venue motion, they acted in good faith, believing they had the right to file it.

3. That the pleadings were filed with Slate's assent.

4. That Ewing and Howell were justified in asking for time in which to apply to the Supreme Court for a writ of prohibition so that the right of the State to a change of venue might be determined.

5. That Ewing and Howell did not, by words, acts or gestures commit willful contempt.

"The petitioners felt that the Judge of the Circuit Court was prejudiced against the State of Missouri and its interests, and believed that their client had the legal right to apply for a change of venue from this Judge. This being true, it was not only the right of the petitioners to file such a pleading, but it was their duty to do so," said Huff in discussing the law of the case.

CITY CLUB WILL HELP HOOVER

Following a speech on food conservation at the City Club at noon yesterday by Dr. Ray Lornum, Wilbur, chief aid to Food Administration, Hoover and president of Leland Stanford University, the Club's House Committee decided that after Monday pork, lamb or veal will not be served at luncheons.

Dr. Wilbur declared that from now on the manner in which we eat will indicate whether we are United States soldiers or allies to the Kaiser. The allies, he said, are in danger of a collapse unless we practice rigid conservation of wheat, meat, fats and sugar, and send enough food to Europe to feed the armies until next fall.

CALLS SLATE MORE TYRANNICAL THAN IMPEACHED JUDGES

**W. T. Rutherford Assails Jurist
in Arguments in Howell and
Ewing Contempt Cases.**

By a Staff Correspondent of the Post-Dispatch.

JEFFERSON CITY, Dec. 21.—W. T. Rutherford, representing Attorney-General McAllister in the argument of the contempt cases against Assistant Attorney-General S. P. Howell and Lee B. Ewing, special prosecutor, in the Supreme Court, today told the Court that the conduct of Circuit Judge Slate in the State graft trials was more "tyrannical, flagrant and oppressive" than the conduct of the only two Circuit Judges who ever have been impeached in Missouri.

The argument came upon presentation of the report of Special Commissioner Virgil W. Huff, who recommended the discharge of Howell and Ewing and declared their conduct toward Judge Slate was not contemptuous.

Rutherford recited the testimony taken by Commissioner Huff, showing that Slate had denounced Howell and Ewing from the bench and had demanded proof that they would not pay their fines with State money.

Charges Conflict in Records. Rutherford also called attention to the fact that the record was in conflict with the facts.

"It was with a prophetic view that this court held two years ago that the judgment of a court in a contempt case was not final as to the facts contained," he said. "It was also with a prophetic eye that certain politicians considered it of vital importance to elect a Circuit Judge in Cole County."

Slate adjudged Ewing and Howell guilty of contempt and fined them \$50 on Nov. 27. When they refused to pay their fine he ordered Sheriff Anton Richter to take them to jail. They escaped imprisonment through habeas corpus proceedings in Supreme Court. Judge Walker ordered their release on \$1000 bonds.

The contempt order against Ewing and Howell grew out of their attempt to disqualify Judge Slate in the trial of a case against John W. Scott, former commissioner of the Permanent Seat of Government, accused of the embezzlement of State coal

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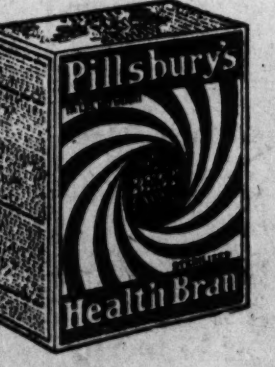
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Canada to Vote \$5,000,000 for Halifax.
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German Trickery Shown in Letters of Von Luxburg Will Bring Action, Washington Believes.

PLOT ON NORTH AMERICA

One Message Told of Plan for Secret Agreement Between Argentina, Chile and Bolivia.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Declaration of war against Germany by Argentina is regarded as almost certain in Latin-American diplomatic circles today as the result of new evidences of German trickery disclosed simultaneously in Washington and Buenos Aires last night by publication of another series of telegrams between the notorious Count Luxburg of "spurious versenkt" fame, and the Berlin Foreign Office.

Luxburg, former German Charge in Buenos Aires, in a message dated Aug. 1 last, informed his Foreign Office that President Irigoyen of Argentina had at last made up his mind to negotiate a secret agreement with Chile and Bolivia for protection against North America. Another telegram intimated an attempt would be made to include Peru, and the plan was to be perfected, according to Luxburg's communication of Aug. 1, "before the conference idea is taken up again." The "conference idea" is assumed to be the proposed Latin-American neutrality conference advocated by President Carranza and widely discussed in South America.

Forty Messages Given Out.

The messages, 40 in number, were made public by the State Department through an agreement with the Argentine Government and were accompanied by a statement by Foreign Minister Puerreydon in which he says the "inaccuracies" of the German Charge's report are so surprising that no epithet will fit them. The messages were sent to Argentina soon after the State Department gave out the first series in which Luxburg advised his Government to sink Argentine ships without trace, but heretofore demands for their publication had been vain. The first series were transmitted through the Swedish legation at Buenos Aires, but the means of communication used for the latest batch sent for July, August and September was not disclosed, except that some of the first series of telegrams were included in ones made public last night.

Following the statement of the Argentine Minister of Foreign Affairs given out with the Luxburg telegrams:

"The telegrams which appear below are all that the Argentine Ministry for Foreign Affairs received from the embassy in Washington of which the translations were made by the Department of State of the United States. There are three telegrams not published, as they allude solely to the republics of Chile and Uruguay. The Government has decided that it should not publish these telegrams and has delivered them to the respective chancelleries.

"The telegrams show a number of inaccuracies so surprising that no epithet will fit them, as they are at complete variance, both in substance and form, with the terms in which the negotiations were entered into, carried on and brought to a conclusion."

Count Luxburg still is in Argentina, although safe conduct was secured for him long ago and there have been frequent announcements of his plans for sailing for a North European neutral country. The last report received here concerning him said he was undergoing treatment in a sanitarium for a nervous disorder. For a time he was at a detention camp, probably chiefly because the Argentine public was so incensed against him that it was not safe to have him at large.

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WOMAN KNOCKED SENSELESS BY NEGRO WHO ROBS FLAT

Neighbor Finds Mrs. Emma Besse in Dazed Condition Nine Hours Afterward.

Mrs. Emma Besse, 24 years old, of 2850 A North Union boulevard, was found suffering from a gash over the right eye at 5 p. m. yesterday by her downstairs neighbor, Mrs. Louis Rickert.

Mrs. Besse, in a dazed condition, told Mrs. Rickert that at 3 a. m. when she was in the backyard dumping ashes, she was accosted by a negro who asked for a job tending the furnace. He followed her upstairs, she said, and upon reaching the kitchen drew a revolver and demanded money. Mrs. Besse said that when she tried to run the negro knocked her senseless with a blow over the eye.

Mrs. Rickert summoned Mrs. Besse's husband, Robert Besse, who has a butcher shop at 2847 North Union. Jewelry valued at \$100 was missing from the Besse flat.

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Envelope Chemise of crepe de chine; Empire and strap effects; lace and ribbon trimmed.

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6 Taupe Fox Muffs, special for this sale. **\$39.75**
3 Black Lynx Muffs, greatly reduced. **\$42.50**

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3 Light Point Wolf Sets; animal scarfs and muffs to match. **\$39.75**
2 Pointed Wolf Sets; animal scarf and muff to match. **\$65.00**
1 Hudson Seal and Hermine Set; cape effect, canteen muff. **\$54.00**
2 Black Wolf Sets; animal scarf, animal trimmed muff. **\$47.50**
1 Black Lynx set; animal scarf and canteen muff. **\$76.75**
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\$12.50, \$14.75 and \$17.50

"Skolny" Overcoats go with "Skolny" Suits. All the excellence of the Suits is found in the Overcoats, **\$10.50 to \$20.00**

Mackinaws, \$5.95 and \$9.75

All-wool, new Trench models, in pretty plaids, 8 to 18 yr. sizes.

Boys' Corduroy Suits Special, \$7.45

New style Norfolk, carefully tailored of fine quality corduroy, and each suit has an extra pair of knickers. Sizes 6 to 18 years.

Hats and Caps

Plush, velvet and fancy mixtures, 98c to **\$4.95**

Chinchilla Hats and Caps, **\$1.19**

Fur Caps, **\$1.95 and up**

Raincoats, **\$2.95 to \$7.45**

Plain gray and tan. Some with hoods to match.

(Second Floor Annex.)

Toys at Great Savings

SAVE on these Toys that are just the items you will be looking for.

Doll Koops, doll beds, white enameled, on wheels, **\$1.29**

Decks, flat top, walnut stain finish, blackboard inside, **89c**

See Saws for boys or girls, **\$6.39**

Doll Go-Carts, imitation reed, rubber-tired wheels, **\$7.45**

Go-Carts, new gray finish, rubber-tired wheels, **\$6.45**

Automobiles inside starter, steering wheel, rubber-tired, **\$7.75**

Children's Chairs, natural finish, **\$1.19**

Chairs, white enameled, with bluebird design, **\$1.19**

Original Irish Mail, strongly built, rubber tired, **\$4.25**

Steering Sleds, T-shape steel runners, **\$1.95**

Spiffy Cars, for boys, **\$3.79**

Velocipedes, large size, heavy tires, **\$12.50**

Girls' Tricycles, rubber-tired, **\$7.45**

Character Baby Dolls, pretty dress and cap, **\$1.89**Baby Dolls, long baby dresses, **79c**Doll Brass Beds, mattress and pillow, **\$1.59**Doll Strollers, rubber tired wheels, **\$2.95**

(Fifth Floor.)



Gifts of Neckwear

THERE is a charming intimacy about the gift of dainty Neckwear that strongly commends these articles to holiday shoppers.

Stocks and Jabots, 50c
Of fancy lace, sheer net, in combination effects, high, soft, crushed collars of satin or lace materials.

Net Stocks, \$1.39

Beautifully hand-embroidered and finished with Venise lace edge, high crushed style, also sailor-back Collars of Georgette, hand-embroidered.

Pique Collars, 48c

Roll or flat styles, also embossed flat style Collars for wear with coats and dresses.

Boudoir Caps, 39c

Soft satins and silks, trimmed with ribbons and sheer lace, pink and sky.

Sample Neckwear, 25c
Roll and Flat Collars, Sets and Vests of organdie, pique, Georgette and satin, plain or lace trimmed.
(Main Floor.)

Men's Neckwear

More Than 1000
Handsome Ties

at **95c**

3 for **\$2.75**

Blanket Robes at **\$6.95**

Unusual values for Christmas of extra quality, made with shawl collar and trimmed with silk frogs and fine waist cords. Unusual colorings and designs, and all sizes.

Smoking Jackets, Special, \$5.95

Jackets of two-face worsted materials, neatly trimmed with frog fastening, and splendidly finished throughout. All sizes.
(Men's Store—Main Floor.)

The Floral Shop

—is a bower of beauty, offering scores of beautiful Blooming Plants suited for table or home decoration, and offering many special buying chances.

Beautiful Begonias, 59c and up

Cherry Plants, 49c and up

Primrose Plants, 39c and up

Poinsettia Plants, in pans, **\$1.49 and up**

Beautiful Ferns, 6-inch, pot grown, **59c**

"Our Special" 10-in. Ferns, pot grown, **\$2.50**

Carnations, assorted colors, dozen, **\$1.35**

Roses, assorted colors, dozen, **\$1.50 to \$3.00** dozen

Narcissus, dozen, **\$1.00**

Beautiful Combination Plants, made up in baskets, artistically arranged, special, **\$2.00 and up**
(Main Floor.)

The Girls' Store

Offers Splendid Gift Suggestions in

White Pique Frocks, \$5

DAINTY and becoming styles in Dresses of white pique that lend themselves especially well as Christmas remembrances.

Some of the styles are prettily embroidered in contrasting shades, others are variously trimmed. All are much below their regular worth. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

Girls' Coats at \$10

An adjustment of our higher-priced lines brings exceptional values in this lot Saturday. Coats are smart in style and splendidly tailored, are of wool materials, and in sizes 6 to 14 years.

The Misses' Store

Announces the Arrival of Many New and High-Grade

Afternoon Frocks, \$24.75, \$29.75 and \$35.00

Striking new fashions in smart Afternoon Frocks of Georgette, lustrous taffetas and beautiful combination effects. They are in striking youthful styles and becoming modes, and are Dresses in good taste for the holiday functions. They will also interest Winter tourists who plan a sojourn to the Southland.

Other late arrivals in charming Afternoon Frocks priced up to **\$89.00**. (Third Floor.)



Slippers for All

CHECK off the names one by one from this line, and you will not only get suitable remembrances, but buy them at lowest prices.

For Men---

Felt Slippers, high or low cut, lamb's-wool or padded soles, many colors, at, pair, **\$1.25**

Tan or Black Kidskin, or tan alligator, at per pair, **\$2.19**

Bath Slippers of Turkish toweling, various colors, pair, **\$1.00**

Women's Felt Slippers

Extra high cut, ribbon trimmed, lamb's-wool insoles. **\$1.00**

All sizes—at **\$1.00**
(Sixth St. Highway—Main Floor.)

For Women---

Boudoir Slippers, soft kidskin, with silk pompon, various colors, pair, **\$1.49**

Felt Boudoir Slippers, silk embroidered, ribbon trimmed, pair, **\$1.98**

Slumber Slippers, fancy colors, pair, **25c**

Fur or Plush Trimmed Felt, Romeo style, pair, **\$1.49**

Misses' Felt Slippers, plain or ankle strap, sizes 2 to 7, at **89c**

Indian Moccasins for misses and children, embroidered, head work, **\$1.25 to \$1.50**
(Shoe Dept.—Main Floor.)



Sale of Boys' Bicycles at \$29.50

TWO well-known makes are offered—the "America" and "Lacleda." They are Bicycles of known reputation, and are equipped with New Departure coaster brake, Fisk non-skid tires, mud guards, extension reversible handle bars, with rubber grips, diamond twin roller chain, and have double spiral spring saddles. They are beautifully enameled, and shown in different color combinations. Sizes 18, 20 and 22 inch.

Same make for women and misses, 18, 20 and 22 inch sizes, at **\$32.50**

Skating Combination Outfits

Women's Tan Calf or Pearl

Buckskin, 8-inch top Skating Boots, with Canadian style skates, set for **\$10.25**

Men's 10-inch-top Skating

Boots, fitted with Canadian style hykaron tempered skates, special at **\$7.95**

Boys' and Girls' Skating

Shoes, with hard and tempered nickel-plated steel skates, sizes up to 6, at **\$6.50**

"North Star Racer" Outfit, with Nester-Johnson tubular skate, 14-inch blade, and black leather, no-heel shoes, for **\$9.50**

Skates

Women's strap heel, nickel plated and buffed, **\$2.00 to \$5.00**

Scree-On Skates, nickel-plated, **\$1.50 to \$6**

Figure Skates, new-edge model, **\$3.50, \$5.00, \$7.50, \$15.00**

All-Clamp Combination Skates, **\$1.50, \$2.00 and \$3.00**
(Second Floor Annex.)

A Great Sale of Cedar Chests

HARDLY could an event be better timed than this one, nor could one find a more substantial or practical gift for the home than one of these handsome Chests. We purchased 200 at a great discount. Of Tennessee red cedar and handsomely trimmed.

At **\$9.95** About 50 Chests of highest grade cedar, plain or with Colonial feet, 40x18x18 inch size.

At **\$11.50** About 35 Chests, trimmed with copper bands, 40 and 45 inch lengths, and all wonderful value.

At **\$14.75** are quite a variety of styles, in 45-inch size, variously trimmed and all handsomely finished.

At **\$18.00** are some fine Chests in plain, untrimmed Colonial style, and some with copper trimming.
(Fourth Floor.)



THE DOWNSTAIRS CHRISTMAS STORE

A Sale of Men's Shirts

FOR this Pre-Christmas event, we offer upwards of 1500 Negligee Shirts, in attractive patterns so well suited for gift buyers. There are both laundered and soft cuffs, sizes from 14 to 17.

at **79c**

3 for **\$2.25**

Silk-Front Shirts, \$1.00

Bodies are of soft-finish material, which prettily match fronts and cuffs. Sizes 14 to 16.

Silk Neckwear at 48c

A wide range of beautiful patterns in rich Scarfs, with slip-easy bands.

Pajamas of pink and blue striped flannelette, of heavy quality, at **\$1.19**

Nightshirts of medium weight flannelette, collar attached **79c**

Neckwear, open-end styles, in Christmas boxes, **19c**



Silk Waists, \$1.88, \$2.88 and \$3.98

Many Wonderful Chances Saturday

A MULTITUDE of styles in Georgette, wash satin, crepe de chine, Jap tub silk, net and lace—both high and low neck styles, in flesh, white and suit shades.

Wash Waists

\$1.00

Voile and organdie, lace and embroidery trimmed or tailored styles, and sizes up to 50.
(Downstairs Store.)



Diamonds
\$1.00 A WEEK
Aldore Jewelry Co.
213 N. 14th.
Large stock of beautiful
Diamonds, Rings,
Watches and
Jewelry.

The Aeolian Vocation
THE Vocation has anti-
quated all other
phonographs. Will you be
content with a lesser
phonograph?
THE AEOLIAN CO.
1004 OLIVE ST.
OPEN EVENINGS
Liberty Bonds Same as Cash

C.E. Williams
HOMEGUARD SHOES, \$3.75
Sixth and Franklin
"Our Location Saves You Money"
We Give Eagle Stamps.
MEN'S WARM SHOES, \$3.50

SPECIAL FOR MEN AND BOYS

Boys' English Lace
New Winter styles for boys. Black calf, on hobnob English last.
Wells, 1 to 5 1/2, \$3.25
Machine sewed, \$2.50

Boys' Schoolmate Shoes
Gunmetal, button or lace, genuine oak leather soles.
Sizes 1 to 6, \$2.00
Sizes 10 to 13 1/2, \$1.50

For Men "Elk Sole Shoes"
EXTRA SPECIAL! \$1.25
Little Gents' black waterproof sole Scout Shoes, 9 to 13 1/2, only.
Men's Black, \$2.50
Men's Tan, \$3.00

"Men's English Walkers"
Hand-Welted Soles
Genuine Calf, mahogany or copper tan, \$6.00
Black Calf, extra fine, \$5.00
Gunmetal special value, \$3.50
Ox-metal machine sewed, \$3.00

"Men's High Boots"
16-inch, \$9.00
12-inch, \$7.00
14-inch, \$5.50
9-inch tan chrome, \$4.50

Men's "Bunion" Shoes
LACE OR CONGRESS
Genuine Vic Kid Calf, Welted Soles, extra wide ball, giving immediate relief to sore and aching feet; \$5.00 value on this market. Sizes 6 to 12. Our special price, \$4.50

"Men's Heavy Work Shoes"
Extra Special Box calf, army last, 2 full \$5.00
\$4.00 VALUE, tan or black chrome elk, \$3.50
\$3.50 VALUE, black chrome elk, \$3.00
\$3.00 VALUE, black chrome elk, \$2.50

GERMANY TAKES CHARGE OF PROPERTY OF AMERICANS

Government Says Action Does Not Contemplate Confiscation Nor Infringement.

BERLIN, via London, Dec. 21.—The property of Americans in Germany has been placed under the trusteeship of the German Government. There is no intention, however, to confiscate property or to infringe on the personal rights of the property holders.

The Federal Council has empowered the Imperial Chancellor to authorize the appointment of administrators or trustees for American commercial interests and private holdings in Germany as a reprisal for the German administrative of German property in the United States. The German action primarily aims at preventing the illegal sale and transfer of property and contemplates neither confiscation nor infringement.

Americans will not be restricted in the use of their incomes or in the conduct of their commercial interests. They have not been molested in their personal freedom and are permitted to leave Germany under conditions similar to those of subjects of neutral countries.

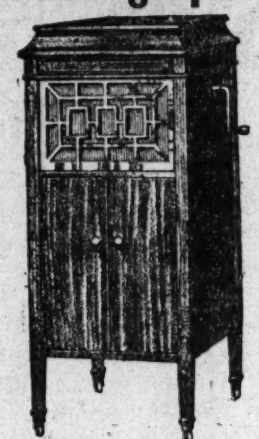
DIAMONDS ON CREDIT FOR GIFTS
A magnificent and complete stock of diamonds in artistic mountings, all styles and sizes. Louis Bros. & Co., 309 N. Sixth St. Open evenings.—ADV.

Ambulance Workers Exchanged.
BERNE, Switzerland, Dec. 21.—Germany and France have just completed arrangements for the exchange of a large number of medical and ambulance men from prisoners' camps. A thousand Germans and 500 French nurses and members of ambulance corps will be exchanged by way of Switzerland in the next few days.

At the Busy Bee Bake Shops
Fruit Cake, Tea Cakes, Petit Fours, Nut and Fruit Cakes, packed in boxes, assorted, 60c per pound.—ADV.

A Useful Gift for Every Member of the Family

Phonographs



The Brunswick is the best of all Phonographs because you can play any record made—more music but not more price—
upward from \$32.50
Musical—second size—cabinet mahogany finish; regular \$50.00 value—
Our own make Cabinet Talking Machine, fully guaranteed—
Metal Cabinet Carola Talking Machine, plays Victor or Columbia records—
A limited number of Pathe Records—
\$37.70
\$9.20
35c

Good in Any Home
Twelve-piece Japanese Chocolate Set, \$1.45
Brown and White Cooking Set of ten pieces, \$3.65
Blue and White Cooking Set of four pieces, \$1.25
Self-Basting Roasting Pan, per set, 45c

Ranges
Six-hole Bridge & Beach Charm Range, 18-inch oven, \$34.00
Eight burners—4 coal and 4 gas Superior Combination Gas and Coal Range, warm-
ing oven, \$80.00

WE ALLOW
\$5.00 for your Gas Stove.
\$10.00 for your Coal Range.
\$3.00 to \$7.00 for your Heater.

Jewelry at Less Than Cost



Six-cluster Diamond Ring; a very fine Christmas present, \$29.50
Solitaire Ring—one eighth carat stone—\$13.75

Watches
Ladies' Watch, case guaranteed for 25 years, \$14.00
Ladies' Wrist Watch—20-yr. guaranteed case, \$11.00
Hammond Watch—the man's timepiece, one only, \$27.00
Ten-piece Ivory Dresser Set—just the thing for your best girl, \$9.50

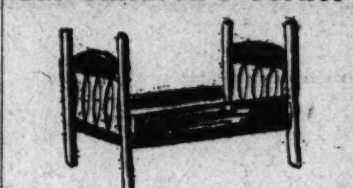


Music Drives Away Lonesomeness. Why Not Have a Piano or Player?

Full-size mahogany Piano, \$8-note, nickel strings and tuning pins; a good purchase at \$125.00
A great big bargain at \$88.50
\$8-note Player-Piano, fully guaranteed mahogany case, six rolls free, \$190.00

Walker's
WM. MOLLET,
President and Treasurer.
A. V. HENKEL, Vice Pres.
206-208 N. TWELFTH ST.

Our Children's Corner



White Enamel Doll Beds; all sizes up to 4 feet in length; \$1.20
Child's Roller Combination High Chair; golden oak, \$2.80
Child's Arm Rocker, wood seat, all solid oak, \$1.10
Child's Oak High Chair, with table, finished in fumed or golden oak, \$1.25
White Enamel Rocker, with arms, \$1.55
White Enamel Arm Chair to match rocker, \$1.55
Red Rocker for small child, 50c
Child's Pedestal Dining Table and 2 leaves, \$2.55
Three-piece Living Room Set, golden oak—includes Settee, Arm Rocker and Arm Chair, \$2.95
Baby Walkers, \$1.35
Child's Morris Chair—Morocoline cushions—large and roomy, \$4.20
White Enamel Chiffonier, cretonne cover, five drawers, \$8.15
Leather Stools, 10 inches high, 70c
Five-Drawer Chiffonier, solid oak with mirror top, \$5.95

Heaters
Wilson Heaters save coal—and that is what you want this year—prices, \$15.00, \$22.00 & \$30.00
Superior Down-Draft Hot-Blast Heater—keeps fire all night or money back, \$10.00
Blue Enamel Gas Heaters, \$8.00

Open Friday and Saturday Until 9 O'Clock

But two days left in which to secure the advantages of Vandervoort's Christmas Player-Piano Plan.



MAKE this a musical Christmas. Of all the times in our country's life, this is the time when we most need music.

And a more truthful statement was never made than that there will not be a time within the next five years when you can procure a player-piano under such favorable conditions as you can through Vandervoort's Christmas plan.

Wholesale prices are mounting higher and higher.

And were the war to stop tomorrow, prices cannot possibly be lower during the next five years than you can enjoy TODAY through this special Christmas Plan.

\$365 Up

Only at Vandervoort's can you purchase a new Chickering, Fischer, Lawson, Cable-Nelson, Brambach, Milton, Newton or Arion Player-Piano.

UNTIL the close of business Monday evening you can procure our 1918 model Arion Player-Piano for \$365 dollars and have it delivered for Christmas.

Not only this, you can procure it under the most liberal of conditions and privileges; under conditions and privileges which are invaluable to you, as the terms of payment are extremely easy and you have every safeguard to protect you from the moment you purchase your Player until the end of five whole years.

You now have but two days left. You had better take half an hour tomorrow and see for yourself what an unusual opportunity this really is.

Terms as Low as \$10 Per Month
Free Music Rolls—Bench and Scarf
Piano Salon—Sixth Floor

Scruggs-Vandervoort-Barney
Olive and Locust From Ninth to Tenth

Christmas Eve

--one of Vandervoort's special \$19.75 Overcoats for himself and many gifts for the family



Men's Suits and Overcoats \$19.75 of Exceptional Quality at

Perhaps you are planning to give father, husband, brother or son a new Overcoat or Suit for Christmas—this is your opportunity to buy one of high Vandervoort quality at far less than its regular price.

Every garment in this sale is correct in style, made of dependable fabrics and splendidly tailored — garments you would never expect to get at the special price quoted.

Take advantage of this saving opportunity tomorrow.
Men's Clothing Shop—Second Floor.



Sale of Winter Coats, \$19.75

Exactly 100 Misses' and Small Women's Coats in this Sale tomorrow morning

Loose, belted and semi-belted models of latest fashioning. Some are plaited, others are gathered at the waist—becoming styles. All of these Coats are nicely lined, some are interlined.

Kersey, Velour, Burella, fancy coatings and mixtures, in the wanted shades.

Sizes 14 to 18 years in this important sale tomorrow—Coats that would ordinarily sell at much higher prices. \$19.75

Consider these Coats when you buy your Christmas gifts.
Misses' Shop—Third Floor.

Scruggs-Vandervoort-Barney
Olive and Locust From Ninth to Tenth

Great Sale of Overcoats, Suits & Xmas Goods at the Globe Tomorrow

For Men's 7.50 Mackinaws.
For Men's \$15 Suits and Overcoats.
For Men's \$20 Suits and Overcoats.
For Men's \$25 Suits and Overcoats.
For Boys' \$5 Suits and Overcoats.
For Boys' \$10 Suits and Overcoats.
For Men's \$4 Fur Caps.
For Men's \$5 Fine Silk Shirts.
For Men's heavy Ribbed Union Suits.
For Boys' Corduroy Pants.
For Men's and Boys' heavy Sweaters.
For Men's heavy Flannel Shirts.
For Boxed Silk Neckwear.
For \$1 Silk Mufflers.

Globe
Open Every Night Till Xmas
EAT STAMPS WITH ALL PURCHASES

The Aeolian Vocalion

NINE out of ten who hear the Vocalion say it is best. So before you buy any phonograph hear the Vocalion.

THE AEOLIAN CO.
1004 OLIVE ST.

OPEN EVENINGS
Liberty Bonds Same as Cash

BANKS URGED NOT TO CHARGE LIBERTY BOND COUPON FEES

National Banks Which Are Federal Depositaries Are Warned to Perform Service Free.

Rolla Wells, governor of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis has received a telegram from Secretary McAdoo, in which the Treasury Department head warns all national banks which are Federal depositaries against charging fees for cashing Liberty Bond coupons. Referring to other than national banks, Secretary McAdoo says:

"I am confident that no bank or trust company which is a depositary of the proceeds of Liberty Bonds or Treasury certificates of indebtedness will make a charge for collecting the coupons and paying the cash to the holder, and it is my earnest hope that even those banks and trust companies which have not become such depositaries will perform this service without charges as a patriotic duty."

Attractive Records in Columbia Phonograph January List.

Liszt's Second Hungarian Rhapsody, played by the noted pianist, Percy Grainger, is one of the January record offerings of the Columbia Phonograph Co.

Another notable number on the January list is Caro Nome, sung by Maria Barrientos of the Metropolitan Opera Company. A novelty is violin and piano duet, dance music played by the Jockers brothers. Among the offerings also are several selections from the comedy success, "Leave it to Jane." Margaret Wilson, the President's daughter, is represented by two numbers on a double-faced record. They are "My Laddie" and "My Old Kentucky Home."

Chopin's thrilling "Polonaise Militaire" and Ganne's "Russian Mazurka" are played by Prince's orchestra.

\$500 FOR VIADUCT APPRAISERS

Sum Awarded to Each of Three Commissioners; City May Appeal.

Circuit Judge Shields yesterday allowed Theodore Benoit, Joseph Ebeling and Edward W. Foristel \$500 each for their services as commissioners in the Tower Grove Viaduct condemnation case after expert witnesses for them had testified that the reasonable value of their services was \$1500 each and experts for the city said that the compensation should not be over \$300.

The commissioners also valued their services at the figure named by their witnesses. They said they held sessions covering 50 days. The city probably will appeal.

Subscribe to the Red Cross

This great humanitarian cause needs your active support—membership \$1.
25c for Thrift Stamps
\$4.12 for \$5.00 Thrift Certificates
Help Uncle Sam (Main Floor.)

Store Open Until 6 P. M.

Nugent's
Olive 3900 Central 3900

**Buy Merchandise Certificates
Buy Glove Bonds
Buy Gift Coupon Books**

A last-minute gift sure to please. Ask about them—Main Fl. Exchange Desk.

Sensational Clothes Selling

Just when most men's minds are on a New Suit or Overcoat for the Holidays—comes this great sale—

The Most Noteworthy We Have Held in Seasons
And, Gentlemen, It's for One Day Only—Saturday!

Men who have followed the Clothing sales of this store know full well what an announcement of this kind means in dollars and cents—savings!

Suits and Overcoats

Of such splendid style and quality that if we went into the market today we would have to add many dollars to their cost, because woolsens are going sky-high.

The soft feel of the texture tells you at once the kind of clothes we are offering in this sale.

The Suits

Cheviots, worsteds, cassimeres, Scotch tweeds, flannels and fancy mixtures; sport backs, belts, all around or conservative; plain shades of gray, blue and green.

The Overcoats

Meltons, kerseys, rough tweeds, fancy cheviots and vicunas; belted and plain pinch-backs, semi-belted and plain models.

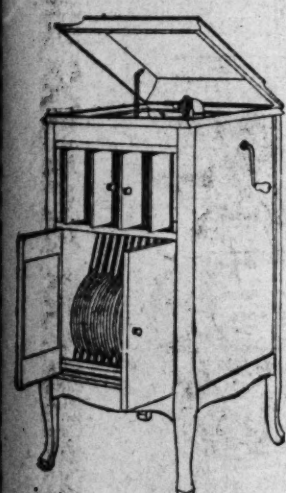
Until 6 P. M. Saturday the Price Will Be

\$19
(Third Floor.)

Extra Salesmen to Serve You Promptly
All Suits and Overcoats Will Be Safely Delivered
in Time for Xmas Wear

A Columbia Grafonola Christmas

The Columbia has proven itself to be the great phonograph of the year. Its makers have risen to the tremendous task of increasing the output so there might be Grafonolas for all who wish them.



Columbia, \$85

with \$4.50 in records of your own choice, total \$89.50, on terms as little as

\$1.50 a Week

Other styles \$18 to \$215, with proportionately convenient payment terms.

Instruments purchased here now will be held for Christmas delivery if you wish—but choose tomorrow for choice of all styles, all finishes, at all prices.

Phones;
Central 3900
Olive 3900

Nugent's

"Better Service"
(Balcony Annex.)

It's the Vogue, You Know--This Giving of Sensible Christmas Gifts!

Practical wearables are just the thing this season. You can't go amiss in selecting something for milady's wardrobe. Today, as never before, the true Yuletide spirit is best expressed by sensible presents.

Why Not a Pair of These Walking Boots?

The model shown below is a really beautiful ladies' walking boot. It is quite the latest creation of fashion. A durable shoe! A 1 1/2-inch walking heel; close fitting arch; lace, in either straight or winged tip. What won't she say when her Christmas package contains WALK-OVERS?

In black, \$5.00 to \$7.50; in brown and dark brown, \$6.50 to \$9.00

Walk-Over Shoe Stores
512 Olive St. 515 N. 6th St.



Saturday Is GLOVE DAY

Here is Your List of Practical Gifts

Women's Gloves

Women's 2-clasp Imported Kid Gloves; light weight, white or black, \$1.50
Women's 1-clasp Adler's White Kid Gloves; plique sewn; fancy backs, \$2.00
Women's 1 or 2 clasp Trefousse, fine French Kid Gloves; white, black, or colors, \$2.50
Women's 2-clasp "Karee" washable Chamoulette Gloves; white, \$1.00
Women's Warm-lined Kid Gloves; tan, gray or black, \$3.00 to \$5.00

Men's Gloves

Men's 1-clasp P. X. M. Sewn Cape Gloves; tan, \$1.50
Men's 1-clasp "Adler" P. X. M. Sewn Cape Gloves; black, \$2.00
Men's 1-clasp "Adler" P. X. M. Sewn Cape Gloves; black, tan or gray, \$2.50
Men's 1-clasp "Karee" Double Silk Gloves; gray, \$1.75

Children's Gloves

Children's Long Wrist Wool Mittens; assorted colors, 39c
Children's Long Wrist Wool Skinning Gloves; assorted colors, 85c
Children's Jersey Gloves; fleece lined; gray or tan, 59c
Children's Kid Mittens; fur trimmed; tan, 79c (Main Floor.)

ALL MEN'S BATH ROBES NOW REDUCED

Buy "That Gift" Tomorrow

Every \$4.95 Bath Robe reduced to \$3.45
Every \$6.50 Bath Robe reduced to \$4.45
Every \$7.95 & \$8.50 Bath Robe reduced to \$4.95
Every \$12.50, \$14.50 and \$19.50 Bath Robe reduced to \$9.95

Including silk and quilted Robes as well as Blanket Cloths. (Main Floor.)



Silk Stockings for Gifts

Complete Stocks to Select From Tomorrow

Women's "McCallum" Stockings \$1.75, \$2.00 and \$2.50
Women's all-silk "McCallum" Stockings; black, white and colors.

Embroidered Silk Stockings Pair, \$2.50
Women's Embroidered Silk Stockings; black, white and colors. \$2.00
Men's All-silk Half Hose; black and colors \$2.00
Men's Silk accordion ribbed Half Hose \$3.00 (Main Floor.)

"It's Worth a Thousand Dollars to See the Kiddies Come Down Stairs Christmas Morning"

Said a woman, "I wouldn't miss that happy look in their faces for anything when they come down to see what Santa Claus has brought them."

These Toys for Boys and Girls

\$1.98 Doll Houses; large size, \$1.69
Saturday \$1.98 Standing Blackboards with chart and desk connections. While 100 last, Saturday \$1.59
\$4.50 Shooflys; white corduroy seats; Saturday \$3.95
Sleds, while 100 last; made of strong white maple flexible runners, 89c
\$4.25 Desks and Chairs; roll top; golden oak; nice size, \$3.95
Saturday Folding Chairs; strongly built, 79c
\$3.00 Mechanical Trains; large track and cross over or switch, Saturday \$2.69
Sand Toys 50c to \$1.50
150 Sets of 32-light electric Mazda Tree Lights from our interior show will go at cost price; while the lot lasts, \$5.50 (Downstairs.)

Girls' Coats for Xmas

\$7.95 and \$10

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TEXT OF LETTERS OF VON LUXBURG AND SOME REPLIES

Envoy Spoke of Argentina
President as Friend of
Germany.

SHOW USE OF MONEY

Messages Disclosed Plot Against
North America—Wanted Chilean
Friendship Cultivated.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—The State Department, in agreement with the Government of Argentina, last night made public 40 cablegrams exchanged between Count von Luxburg, former German Charge in Argentina, and the Berlin Foreign Office.

Text of Letters.
They German charge's messages were sent during last July, August and September. All are addressed to Berlin and signed "Luxburg." Following are the texts of the more important of the telegrams:
July 7th, or 8th, 1917.

No. 62.
Minister for Foreign Affairs who is a theatrical person has shown an insane cunning in preventing me from having an interview with the President. He sent me a copy of the note and declared in accordance therewith that Argentina could not consent to all the products of the country being treated as contraband.

The pressure of North America in regard to shipping iron, coal and paper is great but not irresistible. What is lacking is strength of will.

If the President, whose action it is impossible to foretell, changes Ministers, a postponement of the crisis or a settlement is possible.

If the answer is unsatisfactory there is to be a rupture of relations.

No. 63, July 7, 1917.
Our attitude towards Brazil has created the impression here that our easy-going good nature can be counted on. This is dangerous in South America, where the people under this veneer are liars. A submarine squadron with full powers to me might probably still save the situation. I request instructions as to whether after a rupture of relations legation is to start for home or to remove to Paraguay or possibly Chile. The naval attaché will doubtless go to Santiago de Chile.

President Desired Neutrality.
July 10, 1917.

No. 67.
President, in the course of a long interview, protested his friendship for Germany and firm desire for neutrality in spite of severe pressure. He demanded forbearance for all ships, about six in number, proceeding to the war zone, but conceded that contraband found on board might be destroyed. He stated that it is a fact that there are no more ships available. He regretted the possibility of a rupture. Am reporting further.

July 13, 1917.

No. 69.
Imperial Chancellor's declaration of no peace without annexations has made the best impression among our friends and also created impression of the strength of our confidence of victory. The news of the crisis and the dismissal of numerous Ministers is being exploited by our enemies.

July 14, 1917.
No. 70.
Situation better. President refuses to invite American squadron. I am negotiating respecting proposals for the solution of the ship question.

Wireless Plant Erected.
No. 75, July 20.

First. Receiving plant erected according to instructions. When does Nauen send the greatest strength and which is the wave length?

Teils of Secret Agreement.
Aug. 1, 1917.

No. 85.
The President has at last made up his mind to conclude a secret agreement with Chile and Bolivia with regard to a mutual rapprochement for protection vis-a-vis North America before North American conference ideas is taken up again. Saguer with friendly Undersecretary of State and full powers, is on his way to V. and Santiago.

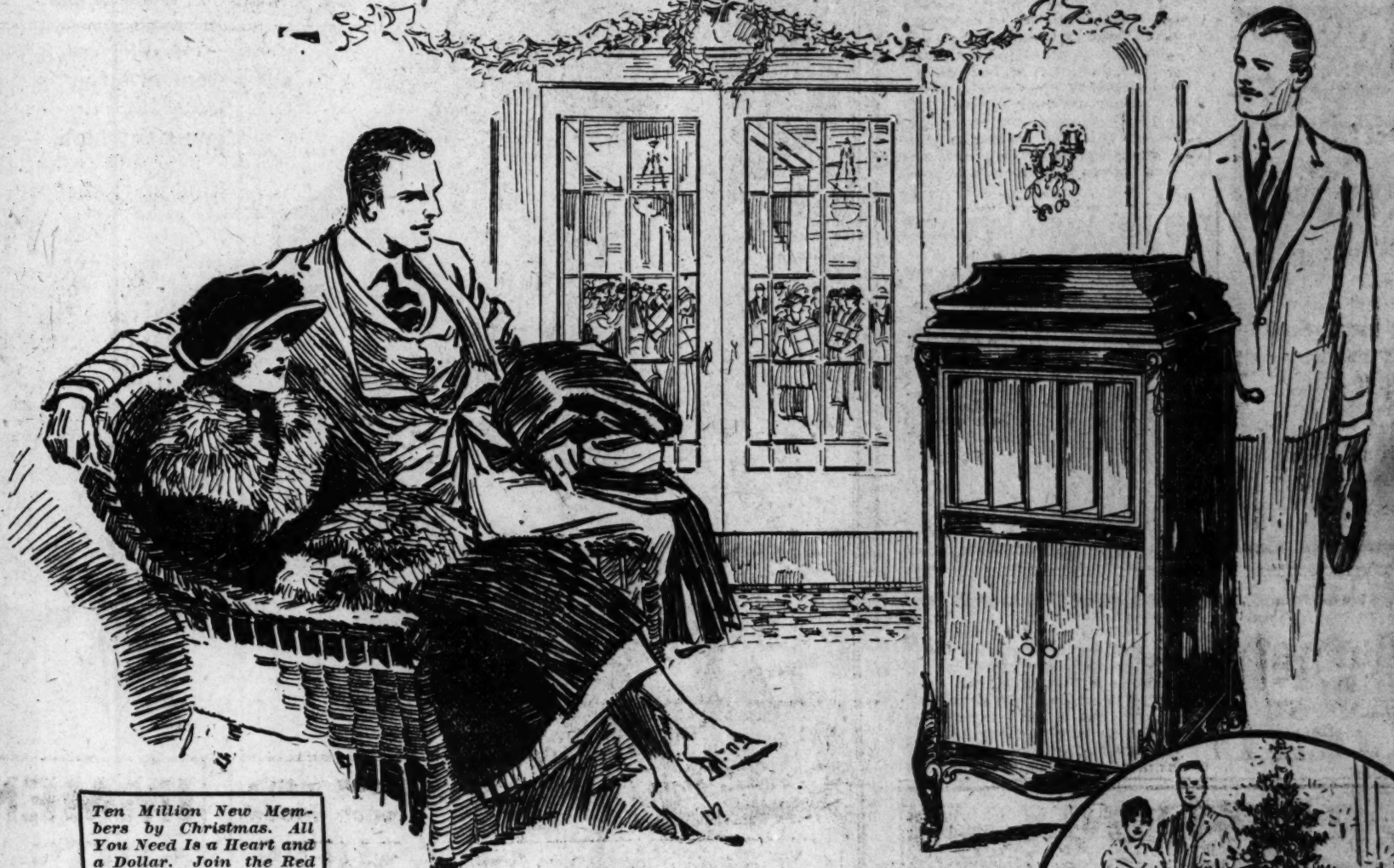
Aug. 4, 1917.
Number 88. Please treat with indulgence the last attempt of the Government to put on pressure. The Minister of Marine and the Minister of Foreign Affairs are probably bribed. President holds with us. The fact that North America is supplying munitions and advancing loan interest to Brazil has made an impression here. Please cable me at once further full powers.

Aug. 4, 1917.

No. 89.
I am convinced that we shall be able to carry through our principal political aims in South America, the maintenance of open market in Argentina, and the reorganization of South Brazil equally well whether with or against Argentina. Please cultivate friendship with Chile. The announcement of a visit of a submarine squadron to salute the President would even now exercise decisive influence on the situation in South America. Pros.

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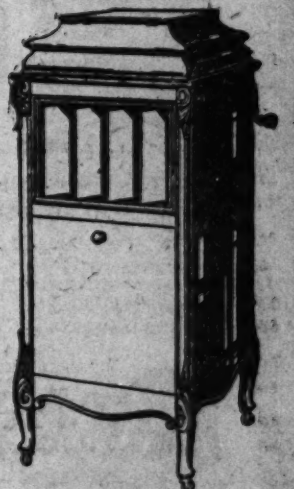
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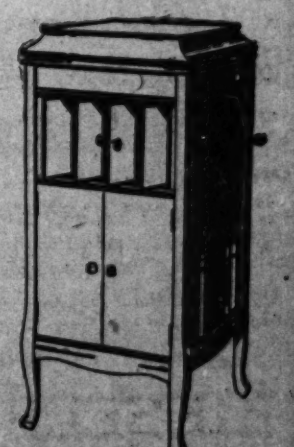


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TEXT OF LETTERS OF LUXBURG AND SOME OF REPLIES

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ect excellent for wheat harvest
in December.

Recommend Conciliation.
August 7, 1917.
Number 90.

I have certain information
that North American note to Ar-
gentina asked that conference
of South American neutrals
should be dropped. Vanity does
not allow them to tell the truth.
Meanwhile there is a possibility
that Congress may be unconsti-
tutionally dissolved by President.
Please show willingness to meet

the Argentine Government as
far as possible.

Aug. 18, 1917.
No. 92.
Reference to your telegram
No. 166. Secret. I have had
long and agitated conference
with President. He is conscious
that there have been errors in
the past and has firm intention
of adhering to neutrality and it
is asserted that all pending
conflicts may be settled on loyal
broad lines on a basis of mu-
tual confidence. He recom-
mends that an early settlement
should be arrived at. * * *
The President deserves confi-
dence.

Urges Definite Settlement.
Aug. 23, 1917.
No. 103.
Reply to telegram No. 170.
Public opinion is becoming
unpatriotic. I recommend an im-
mediate definite settlement. My
telegraphic communication with
Mexico is entirely interrupted.
Sept. 1, 1917.

A friendly Minister regrets
very much the communication
made at Berlin to Molina to the
effect that telegraphic instruc-
tions to me were contemplated.
He fears that the secret wire
may be compromised. The Ar-
gentine Government has pub-
lished all reports and drafts, as
well as the instructions sent to
me through Molina respecting
the last note.

Sept. 1, 1917.
No. 108.
I can, in fact, I am, allowed
only seldom to see the Presi-
dent. The Government has been
ready to communicate details
about the ships through Molina.
Please show no anxiety.

Messages From Berlin.
In addition to the Luxburg mes-
sages there were 12 telegrams from
the Berlin Foreign Office to Lux-
burg at Argentina. The more
important of these follow:

Berlin to Buenos Aires: No.
187, July 3, 1917.
For naval attaché. In reply to
telegram No. 84. He is one of
our agents.

Berlin to Buenos Aires.
About July 24, 1917.
No. 149.

Proposal agreed to if formu-
lated in the following terms:
Germany allows six ships of
moderate size in the blockade
area while on their present jour-
ney here and back provided they
are not conveyed. Instructions
are being issued accordingly. As
it is not absolutely certain that
information can be given in time
compensation is agreed to in
case a ship is unintentionally
sunk. Argentina promises that
in future her ships will keep
away from the blockade area
and Argentine ships are to re-
main unharmed if they neither
carry contraband nor undertake
any hostile enterprise. I autho-
rize you to sign a protocol in ac-
cordance with this. If the Pal-
lative (Paragraph 7) above re-
ferred to can not be obtained you
should declare to the President
verbally that the Imperial Gov-
ernment in full appreciation of

the value of the continuance of
the historic friendship between
the two countries, entertains a
well founded confidence that in-
cidents productive of harm to
Argentine ships will not occur
again in the future. Very secret
for your personal information.
Argentine ships will be treated
with forbearance as far as they
can be recognized. It is quite
impossible to make an express
communication to that effect to
the Argentine Government on
account of other neutrals and of
military considerations. The de-
sired Toro note will be handed
to the Argentine Minister.

ZIMMERMAN.
Asks for Names of Ships.
Berlin to Buenos Aires:
About August 8, 1917.
No. 167. Please telegraph the
names of the ships which have
been sold. Have you made use

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460 Hawaiian band arrangement, with words.
470 Somewhere in France Is the Lily.
480 Jass one-step, with words.
490 When the Boys Come Home.
500 Syncopated waltz song, with words.
510 Hello, Wisconsin.
520 'Cello fox trot rag, with words.
530 Silent Night.
540 Xmas song, with words.
550 Oh, Christmas Tree.
560 Xmas song, with words.
570 The Coming of Santa Claus.
580 Descriptive Xmas melody—waltz song.
590 The Flower of the Land.
600 Military march.
610 Camp Custer.
620 March and one-step.
630 Pray for Sunshine.
640 'Cello rag, with words.

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The talk of St. Louis—
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Suits that are cut on
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lored in the wanted pat-
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A large number of service-
able patterns in strong,
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Saturday

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Perfect fitting cassimere
and worsted Pants in all
sizes up to 46 waist—Sat-
urday at

\$4 PANTS \$2.35

Extra strong durable Pants
in scores of desirable pat-
terns and colors—25 to 50
waist—Saturday

\$5 PANTS \$2.85

Many different patterns to
choose from in splendid
cassimere and worsted fab-
rics—Saturday

\$6 PANTS \$3.85

Stylish stripes as well as
pretty fancy mixtures, in
any size up to 52—Sat-
urday at

\$7.50 PANTS \$4.85

Fine quality worsteds in
the pretty patterns that
appeal to everyone—all
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rable—pretty gray and brown
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NORTHWEST CORNER EIGHTH AND WASHINGTON AVENUE

Woman Ends Life to Avoid Arrest.

JACKSONVILLE, Ill., Dec. 21.—Beatrice Bartholow, 26 years old, killed herself here by taking poison to avoid arrest on the charge of passing worthless checks. She died at the police station.

Woman Accidentally Kills Boy.

JACKSONVILLE, Ky., Dec. 21.—Walter Bostick, 11 years old, was killed yesterday by Mrs. Grace Nunes when a revolver was accidentally discharged.

2 ARRESTED ON CHARGE OF SHOWING DISLOYALTY

One of Men Detained When Leaving Frisco Train Is Later Released.

John D. Shanks, 37 years old, a traveling salesman, of 5020 Minerva avenue, and John M. Giesler, 41, a metal worker, of 5476 Wren avenue, were arrested on an inbound Frisco train when it arrived at Tower Grove Station, on complaint of James C. Roberts, an employee of the International Shoe Co. and W. S. Edmunds of the Marquette Hotel, who accused them of showing disloyalty.

Roberts and Edmunds said they heard Shanks say to Giesler: "Wilson kept us out of war; like hell he did. It's a shame the way our soldiers are being treated in the concentration camps. They are not properly clothed and the sanitary conditions are poor. Hoover's sugar plan is a big joke, too."

Giesler's arrest was asked for because he listened to Shanks without protesting. He was released after he explained that Shanks was a stranger and he did not want to get into an argument. Shanks made no denial or explanation of his remarks. He was released on bond.

Frank Leal, 40 years old, of 1036 Shennandoah avenue, was arrested at Sixth and Chestnut streets yesterday afternoon for interrupting a speech which was being made by Joe Taylor, who also has made many recruiting and Red Cross speeches in St. Louis. It is alleged that Leal, referring to Taylor, said: "That great big able-bodied stuff ought to be shouldering a gun, instead of shooting off his mouth."

Brewery Employee Arrested. Martin Yochum, 35 years old, of 1044 Lafayette avenue, was arrested on complaint of a fellow employee in the oiling room of the Anheuser-Busch brewery, who alleged that two months ago Yochum said: "I would rather give \$50 to the Kaiser than invest it in a Liberty Bond." Yochum denied making the remark and said the accusation was due to jealousy caused by a union election. He said he came here from Austria six years ago to escape military service.

Abounding in Good Things! There is just one place to look for eleventh-hour Christmas hints. You know it is next Sunday's Post-Dispatch. Then, as before, the Sunday issue will carry the major portion of the Home Merchants' and National Advertiser's closing announcements. Yes, it is sure to be the leader as usual!

TEXT OF LETTERS OF LUXBURG AND SOME OF REPLIES

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of the second alternative in telegram No. 149 vis-a-vis the President.

Berlin to Buenos Aires.

(About) Aug. 11, 1917.

No. 161. Please, as far as possible, deal with the President, and in answering last note state that after explanation of circumstances we are prepared to pay compensation for Toro.

As regards safety for Argentine ships in future, please refer verbally to explanations given lately to Argentine Minister here, as well as to the declaration which you were empowered to make.

Your information, in answer to complaints from other neutrals, the payment of indemnity will be explained by saying that part of the cargo was for Switzerland should necessarily arise. Acknowledged by telegram.

KUEHLMANN.

Legation to Go to Chile.

Berlin to Buenos Aires.

No. 165.

Aug. 16, 1917.

Reply to No. 63.

In case of a rupture of relations, I request legation to go to Chile, hand over protection of German interests to Salidas legation.

Berlin to Buenos Aires.

No. 172.

Aug. 25, 1917.

Reference to my telegram No. 170, the proposed sparing of ships must absolutely remain secret, otherwise submarine war would be endangered. As blockade area rest on the principle of retaliation, not on international law, the note must contain a limitation, in this sense. Full compensation is guaranteed in regard to the Toro, but in view of the precedent involved, this is to be attributed not to liberality, but to the circumstances of the case, that this course is justified by the facts. A draft note on these lines will follow through the Argentine Minister. Please await its arrival. Former instructions canceled.

No signature.

Note Is Drafted.

Berlin to Buenos Aires.

No. 175.

Aug. 26, 1917.

Reply to telegram 104.

Draft note for you has been handed to Argentine Minister, please present it if possible to the President. Request President that you may be furnished with names and numbers of ships involved. Point out that we rely on his promise to prevent ships from proceeding to the blockade area. Please state at once should any incident take place, and this is not quite impossible owing to technical reasons, that we are in any circumstances prepared to adopt

the most conciliatory attitude. (No signature.) Berlin to Buenos Aires. No. 178. Sept. 1, 1917.

area. Report by wire. RUSSCHE. The last telegram in the series is from Luxburg to an unnamed person at Santiago, Chile, probably the German Minister there. It follows: Buenos Aires to Santiago, Chile. July 19, 1917. No. 64. With reference to your postal

cipher dispatch 1730, I congratulate you on the solution arrived at. As long as Chile is neutral, Germany will be able after the war to carry out her South American policy just as well, if not more easily in opposition to an infatuated and misguided Argentina, as with Argentina on her side. All sensi-

ble men here, even Zeballos, allow that Chile is obviously better governed than Argentina. Moreover, the situation here is by no means incapable of solution. The President has the firm intention of setting the Council of Ministers against North America. Use the above confidentially.

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The Toilet Goods

A BEAUTIFUL gift—box-lined in heavy satin—containing Lindell's Toilet Articles—1 box face powder, 1 bottle toilet water, 1 bottle sachet, and 1 bottle of perfume. **\$5.00**

Richard Hudnut Toilet Water—Various popular odors; per bottle. **\$1**

Richard Hudnut Perfume in boxes, each. **60c**

Perfumes from... **85c to \$4.50**

Perfumes in boxes, from... **40c to \$7.50**

Toilet Water in boxes, from... **35c to \$5.00**

Vanity Boxes, with mirror and puff, daintily trimmed, special, each... **25c**

Women's Neckwear

STOCKS and Jabots of lace and net—some with satin stocks—several styles to select from. **\$1.49**

Pretty Scarfs of angora in a large range of colors and mixtures of colors. **\$2.00**

Specialty priced and decidedly appropriate for gifts. **\$1.25**

(Street Floor)

25c Prayer Books

CHILDREN'S Prayer Books—come in brown, red, white and blue—25c value. **19c**

Also a complete line of Rosaries, Statues, Scapular Medals and many other church goods necessities. All specialty priced and decidedly appropriate for gifts.

(Street Floor)

Early Morning Specials

On Sale Until 11 O'Clock Only

No Mail or Phone Orders. Quantities Limited and Restricted.

25c Stockings. WOMEN'S 25c boot fiber Silk Stockings, in a variety of colors and black and white. Slight. **12½c**

\$2.98 Mesh Bags. WITH metal gate tops; massive size—1 with long chain handles, each. **\$1.75**

Men's 75c Ties. KNITTED Ties—come in a variety of colors, stripes and fancy designs—with Christmas boxes, each. **48c**

15c Horns. LARGE 25-inch Horns, on sale till 11 o'clock only, each. **5c**

CHRISTMAS CHEER PROVIDED FOR CHILDREN IN CITY HOSPITAL

Dr. Emil Heim Will Distribute Presents and Tree Will Be Placed in Ward.

Arrangements were made today for a Christmas entertainment for the 40 children in the city hospital. Arranged as Santa Claus, Dr. Emil Heim, a resident physician at the hospital, will distribute toys and candy from a large sack as he passes among the little patients. A Christmas tree will be placed in Division No. 5, the children's ward.

Christmas dinner will be served at noon. Eight hundred pounds of chicken have been provided for the dinner by the hospital authorities. Visiting physicians have contributed to a fund for the purchase of decorations, and the nurses of the hospital will give the younger children knitted comforts.

Busy Bee Candles for Christmas. No Candles like Busy Bee Candles.—ADV.

WILL KEEP UP COAL OUTPUT

Operators Give State Fuel Administrator Assurance.

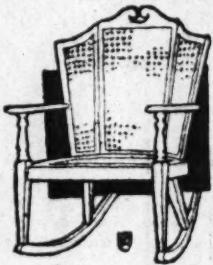
State Fuel Administrator Crossley and Frank Farrington, president of the United Mine Workers of Illinois, were guests yesterday of the St. Louis Coal Traffic Bureau at a luncheon at the Planters Hotel.

Keeping up the production was discussed. The operators assured Crossley that they would do everything to keep it to the present mark. The miners are expected to work through the holidays, except on Christmas and New Year's days.

TOP THE LIST with a beautiful diamond, or high Christmas present. Confidential credit terms at Lofth Bros. & Co. 308 North Sixth st.—ADV.

Woman, 99 Knits for Soldiers. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 21.—Mrs. Lydia M. Sperry of Kansas City, Kan., who will be 99 on Feb. 23, has knit 13 pairs of socks for American soldiers and sailors and expects to make more.

Cane Rockers



These large comfortable Cane and solid Mahogany Rockers, as illustrated, with Chairs to match,

\$13.50

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WORK SHOES Strong, Sturdy, Long-Wearing

\$2.50 & \$3.50

POSITIVELY the strongest, best and longest wearing work shoe for all-round service.

For men who work in shops, mines, mills, railroads—Farmers, Drivers, etc.

Try a pair to-day, and "Save A Dollar" and more.



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Instruments of quality offered at a record low price

\$355

THERE is just a limited number of these thoroughly reliable instruments, and we urge those who are contemplating buying a new Player-Piano for Christmas to take advantage of this exceptional opportunity.

In tone, construction and design, the artistic qualities of these instruments will measure up to the standards of your expectations.

With each instrument in this sale we will give

Combination Player Bench.
Latest design Searf.
Music Roll Cabinet.
Your own selection of music rolls.
Guaranteed Player Action Policy.

\$10.00 will place this Player-Piano in your home in time for Christmas, and no further payments will be necessary until February.

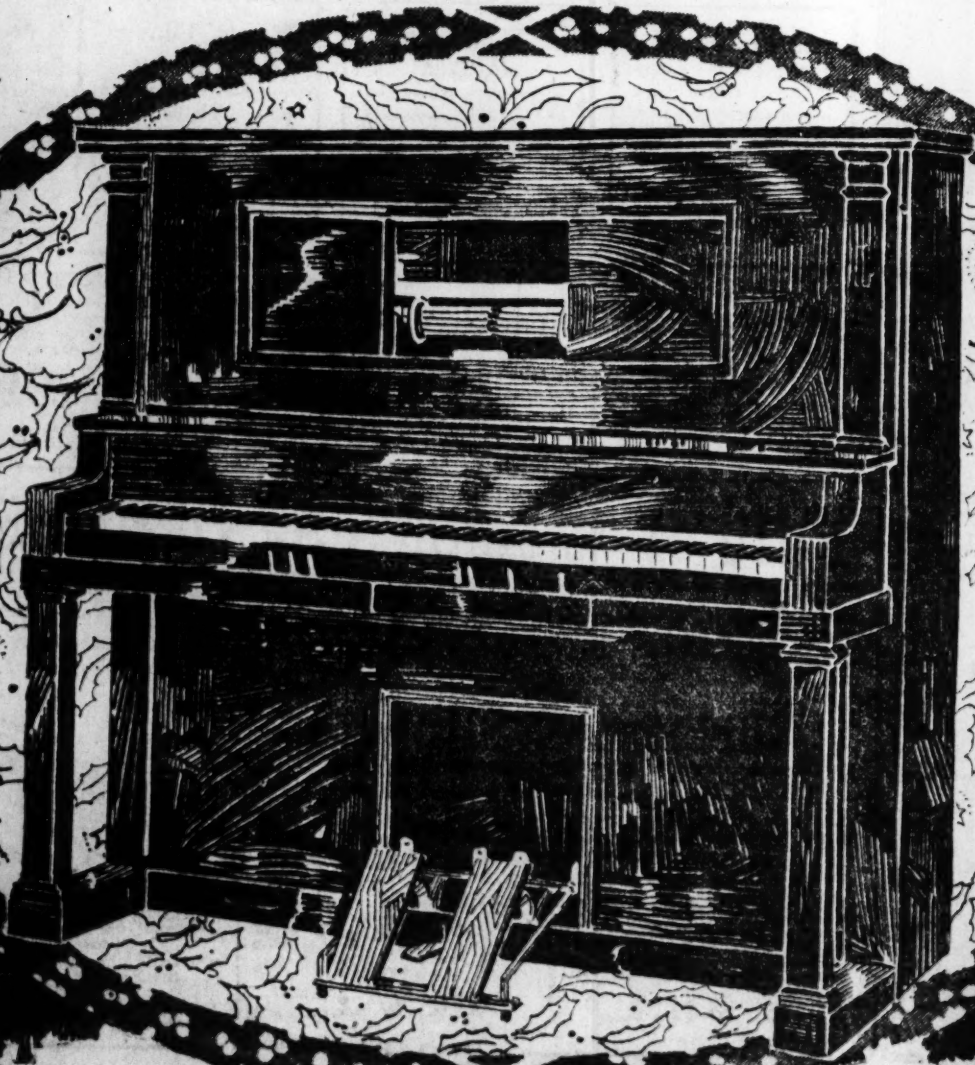
Investigate this Player-Piano opportunity at your earliest convenience.

(Fourth Floor.)

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Garland's Blouses! Blouses!! Blouses!!!



NEVER were there so many people talking Blouses—NEVER were they buying so many Blouses (we're speaking from OUR experience only)—NEVER were the Blouses so charmingly beautiful (again we speak for ourselves)—AND NEVER could you get so much style and quality under \$5.00 as you can get here tomorrow.

\$7.95, \$8.50 and \$9.50 Blouses

\$4.95

And what a dainty Xmas gift, and how practical and appropriate. Easy of selection, one color is as desirable as another, and the question of size is easily determined.

Georgettes and Crepe de Chine

White, Taupe, Brown, Flesh,

Nile, Beige, Pink, Plum, Navy, Champagne,

Gold, New Blue, Gray

Over 30 styles; bead embroidery, silk embroidery and pleated effects, tucks, satin collars, white silk collars, V necks, square necks, new sleeve and cuff ideas. Some have crush girdle; others have silk or satin ties, small round pearl buttons, crocheted buttons and many other new features that are new and smart.

Xmas Furs Special

\$79.50 and \$85.00 Finest Alaskan Fox Sets \$49.50

Choice of these handsome, large, silky, perfectly matched sets, of the very finest quality fox, every set richly crepe silk lined and trimmed in the most elegant manner, a Saturday fur bargain that we are positive cannot be duplicated.

Colors, rich Victoria brown and other fashionable shades of brown; also black.

\$39.50 Matched Natural Red Fox Sets.....\$25.00

\$49.50 Genuine Taupe Fox Sets.....\$33.75

\$65.00 Victoria Brown and Taupe Wolf Sets.....\$39.50

Special Reductions on Muffs

\$22.50 and \$25.00 Hudson Seal Muffs.....\$14.75

\$29.00 and \$35.00 Taupe Fox and Black Wolf Muffs.....\$19.95

\$10.00 and \$12.50 Black and Taupe Muffs.....\$7.95



Sketched—one of the sets at \$49.50

For the Girls' Xmas

What is there nicer than a new Dress for the girls 6 to 14 years? What more practical? And so inexpensive. Several hundred are here for Saturday's selling, made of bright checked, plaided and striped gingham, in the daintiest, prettiest styles we have seen. Priced:

\$1.98

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New Smocks

In several new styles and color combinations. Sizes 8 to 20.

\$1.98 and \$2.98

New Middies, \$2.98

Middy Skirts, \$3.98

Made of splendid quality serge, in a number of desirable styles.

THOMAS W. GARLAND

409-11-13 Broadway

For New Year's Eve

HOTEL STATLER

Special music, menu and decorations—an unusually attractive setting for this gayest of midwinter events.

Tables now being assigned—in the order of reservations. Five dollars per plate.

SAFE, GENTLE REMEDY CLEANSSES YOUR KIDNEYS

For centuries GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil has been a standard household remedy for kidney, liver, bladder, stomach trouble and all kindred diseases. The kidneys and bladder are the most important organs of the body. They are the filters, the purifiers of your blood. If the poisons which enter your system through the blood and stomach are not entirely thrown out by the kidneys and bladder you are doomed. Weariness, sleeplessness, nervousness, despondency, backache, stomach trouble, headache, pain in loins and lower abdomen, gallstones, gravel, rheumatism, sciatica and lumbago, all warn you to look after your kidneys and bladder. GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules are what you need. They are not a "patent medicine," nor a "new discovery." For 200 years they have been a standard household remedy. They are the pure, original imported Haarlem Oil your great-grandmother used, and are perfectly harmless. The healing, soothing oil soaks into the cells and lining of the kidneys and through the bladder, driving out the poisons. New life, fresh strength and health will come as you continue the treatment. When completely restored to your usual strength, continue taking a capsule or two each day; they will keep you in condition and prevent a return of the disease. Do not delay a minute. Delays are especially dangerous in kidney and bladder trouble. All druggists sell GOLD MEDAL Haarlem Oil Capsules. They will refund the money if not as represented. In three sizes, small, medium and large. Ask for the original imported GOLD MEDAL. Accept no substitutes.—ADVERTISEMENT.



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Confronted With the Problem
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Your perplexity will end when you step in-
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Still we're many articles a man seldom pur-
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The electrification by the "St. Paul" road of its lines across the
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ST. LOUIS GIRL WHO IS
TO WED LIEUTENANT



MISS AGNES K. NELSON.
—Photo by Strauss.

MISS AGNES NELSON TO BE MARRIED TOMORROW

Wedding to Lieut. Grant M.
Webster Will Be at West
Presbyterian Church.

THE wedding of Miss Agnes K.
Nelson and Lieut. Grant M.
Webster will be solemnized
tomorrow afternoon at 5 o'clock at
the West Presbyterian Church with
the Rev. Dr. Francis W. Russell of-
ficiating. It was originally planned
by Miss Nelson to have a large bridal
party and reception following the
ceremony, but owing to a recent be-
nevolence in the bridegroom's
family the arrangements will be very
simple.

Miss Irene Smith will be the maid
of honor. Lieut. Thomas Webster
was unable to get leave from Camp
Funston to serve as his brother's best
man, and Lieut. Lloyd Wright of the
Medical Reserve Corps will take his
place. The bride's young sister and
brother, Charlotte and William Nel-
son Jr., also will be attendants.
The bridegroom will wear a white
tulle suit entirely covered with heavy
lace. He has a long court train
trimmed with orange blossoms and
the long tulle veil will fall from a
cap of point lace also trimmed in
the same blossoms. She will carry a
bouquet of lilies of the valley and
gardenias. The maid of honor's gown
is of rose-colored georgette. She will
wear a hat of the same shade
trimmed in rose tips and a touch of
black tulle, and will carry pink roses.
The little bridesmaid will wear a
frook of white lace over white silk
and will carry a bouquet of red,
white and blue flowers. William Nel-
son Jr. will wear a white military
suit.

Miss Nelson is the daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Clement William Nel-
son of 5122 Vernon avenue. She was
graduated from Mary Institute last
June and was one of the most popu-
lar members of her class. She is the
second bride of the class, the other
being Mrs. Edwin Fowler Bright, for-
merly Miss Helen Elizabeth Mc-
Combs, whose wedding took place in
October. The bridegroom is the son
of the late Thomas M. Webster. He
is a graduate of Phillips Exeter Acad-
emy and is now one of the statistical
officers of the Eighty-ninth Division.
Lieut. Webster and his bride will
go to Manhattan, Kan., where she
will reside while her husband is sta-
tioned at Camp Funston.

Assorted Flavors Chocolates, 25c lb.
At the Olympia, 715 Franklin—ADV.

Social Items

Mrs. Edward K. Love of 19 Lenox
place will give an informal luncheon
at the Country Club today in honor of
her niece, Miss Emily Sproule Ross
of Mineral Point, Wis., whose annual
custom it is to spend the holidays
with her grandmother, Mrs. Andrew
Sproule of 5175 Lindell boulevard.

Mrs. Nelson Dean Jay of Pelham
Manor, N. Y., with her children, will
be the holiday guests of her sister,
Mrs. Warren Goddard of Brentmoor
Park. Mrs. Jay is en route to Cali-
fornia, where she will spend the win-
ter.

Miss Margaret Sharp, daughter of
Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Sharp of
Parkview, entertained yesterday
with a knitting party for 12 guests,
at which her engagement to Lieut.
Ralph E. Mooney of the Thirtieth
Machine Gun Battalion, stationed at
Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio,
Tex., was announced. Miss Sharp is
a librarian at the public library. She
received her education at Mary In-
stitute and later attended Washing-
ton University. Lieut. Mooney is the
son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Mooney
of 5341 McPherson avenue. No date
for the wedding has been set.

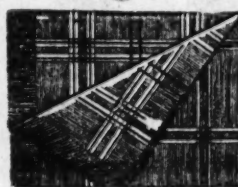
Miss Mary Finney Bryson, daugh-
ter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Bry-
son of 5870 Chamberlain avenue, was
hostess at an informal luncheon to-
day. The guests included several of
the debutantes.

Abounding in Good Things!
There is just one place to look for
eleventh-hour Christmas hints. You
know it is next Sunday's Post-Dis-
patch. Then, as before, the Sunday
issue will carry the major portion of
the Home Merchants' and National
Advertisers' closing announcements.
Yes, it is sure to be the leader as
usual!

Special Christmas Gift Suggestions in Auto Accessories

THIS splendidly equipped department is filled with scores
of practical Auto Accessories, which will make splendid
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English Auto Robes, \$6.25



THIS is a Scotch Plaid English-
type Robe, commonly called a
Steamer Rug. It is of warm,
soft wool and is particularly
good looking. The size is 60x80
inches, and for this week we are
selling it at this special price.

Until Christmas We Will Give a Guaranteed
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If you are going to give one or a set of these, we increase
the value of your gift by including a guaranteed Ever-
wear inner tube with every Bucyrus Tire. It will pay you to
think of your own needs as well as your gifts, for this offer
is positively unprecedented.

A Written Guarantee of 4000 Miles
Goes With Every Bucyrus Tire.

All Bucyrus Tires are non-skid. These are some of the
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30x3 and a tube free, \$11.77	31x4 and a tube free, \$23.41
30x3½ and a tube free, \$15.15	32x4 and a tube free, \$23.80
32x3½ and a tube free, \$17.55	33x4 and a tube free, \$25.07
34x4 and a tube free, \$25.62	

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Our stock of Ear Screws and Ear
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Our stock of Cameos
is very large and
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of these gems, we
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our best at.....

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Our hand-engraved solid gold Sig-
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Storming Trenches, Charging Entanglements, Throwing Grenades on Program.

CAMP FUNSTON, Kan., Dec. 21.—Over in the south end of this great city of soldiers thousands of men swarm in and out of trenches, scale walls and charge through and over entanglements. Grenade throwers toss innocent-looking handfuls of steel and gun cotton, which are capable of destroying all life in a trench section. Daily now as many as 5000 receive this intensive training, going "over the top" under the tutelage of French and British officers and "ton coms."

The other day one French Sergeant tossed 40 or 50 dummy bombs in succession, every one of them falling in the section of the trench aimed at, or falling upon the parapet and rolling over.

Machine guns men peer from the observation slits in their emplacements ready to repel an "attack." Bayonet experts lunge, smiting their steel into human shaped bundles of withes and burlap, and wave after wave of men went over 10-foot walls with an agility that speaks well for the physical development since the first men of the national army arrived at Funston.

This is what the men of the Eighty-ninth Division are doing in their camp, and to the west, where lies Fort Riley, the interminable rattle tells of a busy day on the rifle range.

JEWELRY BARRED IN ARSENAL

Britain Issues Order to Gift Workers in Danger Buildings.
LONDON, Dec. 20.—Girl workers in the danger buildings at Woolwich arsenal are not allowed to wear jewelry. The cap shop girls appeared one morning with bright green ribbons on their shoes, much to the envy of other departments. The next morning the whole factory was in the fashion, says Dr. A. K. Foxwell, the principal supervisor.

Shoes were tied with blue, pink, red and white ribbons; with anything but the Government boot lace or untanned leather. The fashion spread to the office and women clerks paraded the platform during the dinner hour with resplendent shoe laces.

AUSTRIA SEIZES MORE BELLS

Churches Forced to Sacrifice Metal for Needs of War.
COPENHAGEN, Dec. 20.—A second requisition of church bells has taken place in Austria to the sorrow of the Catholic population of that country, according to advices received here. A limited number of

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bells had been spared, thanks to the vigorous representations of the Episcopal Church authorities. But the Government came to the conclusion that further requisitioning was necessary, with the result that the church has had to sacrifice many more of its cherished bells to the never-satisfied Moloch of war.

The idea of substituting steel bells

for bronze has not eventuated, owing to the onerous conditions stipulated by bell manufacturers, who demanded that the price should be paid in foodstuffs for the workmen in the factories.

Animals and pets of all kinds are bought and sold through the POST-DISPATCH want columns.

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75c Shirting Silks
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Silk mercerized Poplins; in all shades; special; the yard... **39c**

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Imported from Switzerland; all pure silk, large square knitted Shawls in beautiful designs; fringed all around; importer's samples; at half price... **\$1.69**

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Again for this Saturday **\$7.95**



This is an absolutely genuine reduction, as are all those to be found in the ad of this progressive store; and no matter how highly we might praise this offer for Saturday only, we would still not be doing it justice. There are styles for all ideas; sizes 32 to 42.

Men's Suits, \$9.65

Boys' \$5.00 Suits **\$3.95**
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Every boy's \$5 Suit goes at \$3.95. Suits in every desirable pattern, in cassimeres, chevrons and fancy mixtures; French and Norfolk models.

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\$25.00 French Marten Sets... **\$16.48**
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\$27.50 Black Fox Muffs... **\$18.50**
\$29.75 Taupe Fox Scarfs... **\$21.50**
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All Children's and Misses' Fur Sets greatly reduced... **\$1.25 to \$7.98**



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Women's \$4 Crepe de Chine and Georgette Crepe Waists... **\$2.98**

\$2.50 Tub and Japanese Silk Waists; special Saturday at... **\$1.98**

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Adjustable Mirror, Cup and Shaving Brush; with polished stand... **69c**

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Men's 6-piece sets; 2 military brushes; mirror, comb, hat and clothes brushes; in display box... **\$2.48**

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Children's and men's 10k solid gold Signet Rings at... **98c**

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This Reduction for Saturday Only

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\$2.50 Ball-Bearing Roller Skates, special... **\$1.98**
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Women's Neckwear, 1/2 Price
All fresh, new, crisp styles, jabots, satin and Georgette collars and sets, organdie, pique and corduroy collars and sets; values to \$2.50... **98c, 59c, 39c**

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Silk Scarfs
Knitted white silk Head Scarfs with silk fringed ends... **29c**

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Leather Bags (like cut) all leather with silk draw cord... **25c**

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Women's \$4.00 and \$4.50 Stylish Shoes... **\$2.95**

Received another shipment of Women's fine Shoes, in patent and dull leather, button and lace; high and low heels; all sizes... **\$2.95**

Boys' Durable Button Shoes; sizes 1 to 5 1/2, \$1.98; sizes 6 to 12... **\$1.89**

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Women's \$1.75 Felt Julietts; in all colors; fur trimmed; flexible soles; all sizes... **\$1.39**

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Excellent quality silk; the prettiest assortment of silk taffeta to select from; special at \$3.49... **\$1.00**

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Smart little box or belted models; made of chinchilla, corduroy and ribelines; all interlined; white only... **\$1.98 up to \$4.98**

6 Xmas Items at Half Price

Men's Sweater Coats \$2.50
Well made throughout; actual value \$5.00; special for Saturday's selling.

\$1.50 Neckwear
Men's silk neckwear with wide flowing ends; special... **75c**

\$3 Union Suits
Women's; high neck, long sleeves and ankle length... **\$1.50**

25c Hosiery
Women's high-grade, fine gauge Hosiery, in only... **8 pairs... \$1.00**

Men's 25c Socks
Men's fine Hosiery; special; 8 pairs... **\$1.00**

\$1 Shirts or Drawers
Men's ribbed shirts or drawers; well made; each... **50c**

\$4 Aluminum Teakettle

Pure Aluminum Teakettle; guaranteed; extra heavy gauge; entire kettle and spout molded in one; no seams; large size, 5 quart; ideal Xmas gift; Saturday... **\$2.45**

Pure Aluminum Percolator; 8-cup size; extra heavy gauge; bargain... **\$1.39**

Child's \$1.25 Genuine Hickory never-break Lawn Chairs; special... **85c**

Special Xmas Sale

This Hat \$2.98

SKATING SET—Buy these for Xmas gifts. Beautiful all-wool set of cap and scarf. Solid colors and combinations... **\$1**

This Beautiful Trimmed Hat
It's of satin, in taupe, black, brown and combinations. Trimmed in various smart ways with flowers, ribbons and ornaments. At \$2.98 are also other styles in satin Hata, gold lace Hata, velvet Hata and velvet and satin combinations. Each Hat is stylish and beautifully made... **\$2.98**

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The most popular style of the season. Trimmed with grosgrain ribbon, plush ball and fancy edging. Brown, taupe and black. Wonderful value. Sat-urday at... **\$2.75**

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Gold and silver effects; also velvet; beautiful, artistic designs... **49c**

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BAIRNSFATHER TELLS OF EXPLORING RUINED FARM IN BELGIUM

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must have been very effective; but when I was there, only about a quarter of it contained water. The other three-quarters was a sort of bog, or marsh, its surface broken up by large shell holes. On the driest part of this I discovered a row of graves, their rough crosses all battered and bent down. I just managed to discern the names inscribed; they were all French. Names of former heroes who had participated in some action or other months before. Going out into the fields behind

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the farm, I found more French graves, inclosed in a rectangular graveyard that had been roughly made with barbed wire and posts. Each grave surmounted with the dead soldier's hat. Months of rough wintry weather had beaten down the faded cloth cap into the clay mound, and had started the obliteration of the lettering on the crosses. A few more months, and crosses, mound and hat will all have merged back into the fields of Flanders.

A Specimen of Belgian Ruin. Beyond these fields, about half a mile distant, lay Wulverghem. Looking at what you can see of this village from the Douve farm, it looks exceedingly pretty and attractive. A splendid old church tower could be seen between the trees, and round about it were clustered the red roofs of a fair-sized village. It has, to my mind, a very nice situation. In the village before the war it must have been a pleasing place to live in. I went to have a look at it one day. It's about a fine sample of what these Prussians have brought upon Belgian villages as any I have seen. The village street is one long ruin. On either side of the road all the houses are merely a collection of broken tiles and shattered bricks and framework. Huge shell holes punctuate the street. I had seen a good many mutilated villages before this, but I remember thinking this was as bad if not worse than any I had yet seen. I determined to explore some of the houses and the church.

I went into one house opposite the church. It had been quite a nice house once, containing about 12 rooms. It was full of all sorts of things. The evacuation had evidently been hurried. I went into the front right-hand room first and soon discovered by the books and pictures that this had been the curé's house. It was in a terrible state. Religious books in French and Latin lay about the floor in a vast disorder, some with the cover and half the book torn off by the effect of an explosion. Pictures illustrating Bible scenes, images and other probably cherished objects, smashed and ruined, hung about the walls or fragmentary portions of them lay littered about on the floor.

A Hungry Cut in the Rivers. A shell hole of large proportions had rent a gash in the outer front wall, leaving the window woodwork, bricks and wall paper piled up in a heap on the floor, partially obliterating a large writing desk. Private papers lay about in profusion, all dirty, damp and muddy. The remains of a window blind and half its roller hung in the space left by the absent window, and mournfully tapped against the remnant of the framework in the light, cold breeze that was blowing in from outside. Place this scene in your imagination in some luxuriant country vicarage in England, and you will get an idea of what Belgium has had to put up with from these Teutonic madmen. I went into all the rooms; they were in very much the same state. I heard a movement in the room opposite the one I had first gone into; I went back and saw a cat sitting in the corner amongst a pile of leather-backed books. I made a movement towards it, but with a cadaverous, wild glare at me, it sprang through the broken window and disappeared. The church was just opposite, the priest's house, I went across the road to look at it. It was a large, reddish-gray stone building, pretty old, I should say, and surrounded by a graveyard. Shell holes everywhere; the old, gray walls were cracked and sticking about at odd angles. As I entered by the vestry door I noticed the tower was fairly all right, but that was about the only part that was. Belgium and Northern France are full of churches which have been sadly knocked about and all present very much the same appearance. I will describe this one to give you a sample. I went through the vestry into the main part of the church, deciding to examine the very late of the roof had had most of the tile blown off, and underneath them the roofing-boards had been shattered into long, narrow strips. Fixed at one end to the rafters, they lay flat on the floor, flapped slowly up and down in the air like lengths of watch-spring. Below, on the floor of the church, the chairs were tossed about in the greatest possible disorder, and here and there a dozen or so had been pulverized by the fall of an immense block of masonry. Highly colored images were lying about, broken and twisted. The altar can be seen in a heap together behind a pulpit, the front of which had been knocked off by a falling pillar. One could walk about near some of the broken images, and pick up little candles and trinkets which had been put in and around the shrine, off the floor and from among the mass of broken stones and mortar. The vestry, I found, was almost complete. Nearly trodden out of recognition in the floor, I found a bright-colored handmaiden altar cloth, which I then had half a mind to take away with me, and post it back to some person in England to put in his church. I only refrained from carrying out this plan as I feared that the difficulties of getting it away would be too great. I left the church, and looked about some of the other houses, but none proved as pathetically interesting as the church and the vicar's house, so I took my way out across the fields again towards the Douve farm.

Not a soul about anywhere. Wulverghem lay there, empty, wrecked and deserted. I walked along the river bank for a bit, and had got about 200 yards from the farm when the quiet morning was interrupted in the usual way by shelling. Deep-toned, earth-shaking crashes broke into the quiet, peaceful air. "Just in the same place," I observed to myself as I walked along behind our left-hand trenches. I could see the cloud of black smoke after each one

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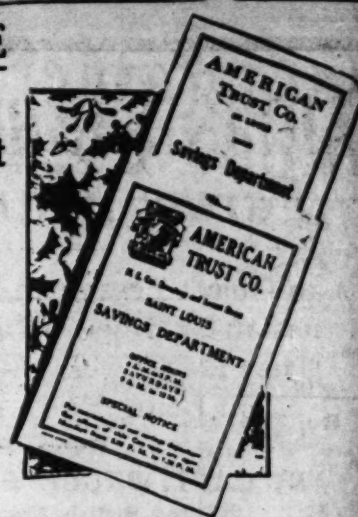
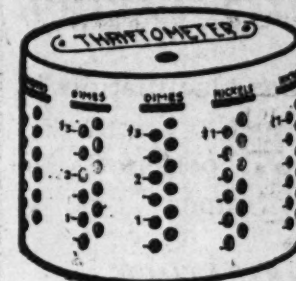
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Corporations Invest in Them to Pay Income and Excess Profit Taxes. United States Treasury certificates are being bought extensively by corporations expecting to pay large income and excess profit taxes next June, according to officers of the Mississippi Valley Trust Co. The certificates bear interest at 4 per cent and mature next June, when the taxes are due. Money set aside by concerns to meet these taxes can be invested in the certificates, earning 2 per cent for the six months remaining before tax-paying time.

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This Model
\$200 Value
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CITY COUNSELOR IN 1902 ADVISED TAX ON FRANCHISES

Charles W. Bates Gave Opinion Corporations Like Union Electric Were Taxable.

Inquiry was made today by Post-Dispatch reporters as to the reason why the Union Electric Co. and five other franchise-holding corporations were exempted, between 1902 and 1914, from the payment of franchise taxes to the city, thus keeping an aggregate amount of nearly \$1,000,000 out of the city treasury.

As told exclusively in late editions of yesterday's Post-Dispatch, the fact of the exemption, and of the loss to the city, was disclosed yesterday by John H. Gundlach, Supervisor of Assessments in St. Louis for the State Tax Commission, and former president of the City Council. He pointed out that, since 1914, the six companies had paid franchise taxes to the city, but that, between 1902 and 1914, under the same law which is now in force, they escaped such payment. At the same time they were paying franchise taxes to the State.

Charles W. Bates was city counselor in 1902. The records of the city counselor's office show that on March 28, 1902, Bates gave an opinion to the city Board of Equalization, in which he held that the companies in question were subject to taxation by the city on their franchise values.

Bates said, in his opinion, that the local assessment authorities had no jurisdiction over the franchise values of railroads, street railways, telegraph and telephone companies, and that the State Board of Equalization should assess these. But as to other "quasi-public corporations," he said that their franchises were taxable by the city, and he further said it was the duty of the city assessor to assess the franchises at their true value, whether the companies made a voluntary return on them or not. These "quasi-public corporations" clearly included the Union Electric and the others now in question.

The records of the Assessor's office, including those of the city Board of Equalization, were not accessible at the city hall, and it was said that some of the volumes had been lost in cleaning the office. However, the records of the Union Electric Co. contain what purports to be a copy of the minutes of the meeting of the local Board of Equalization of 1902, at which the question of franchise assessment came up.

This copy of the minutes shows that the question of assessing franchise values came before the board for final action, and that the board adopted a resolution providing that "all corporations which pay a return of 5 per cent on their gross earnings to the City of St. Louis for their privileges, have that amount credited to them on their city taxes."

Effect of Resolution. This resolution, the minutes showed, was presented by Mr. Rombauer, a member of the board, and was amended by Mr. Murphy, another member. Its effect was to exempt the companies from franchise taxation by the city, as their 5 per cent tax on gross receipts was in excess of what the franchise tax would have been.

The same resolution reduced the franchise assessments 75 per cent, "for the purpose of bringing the assessment as much as possible in harmony with the assessment of similar property by the State Board of Equalization."

Later city boards of equalization followed the same plan until 1914, when franchise taxes were first assessed against the six companies. Deputy Comptroller Gunn said he called the attention of the board to the matter, after he had noticed, in the Comptroller's books, a notation to the effect that the six companies were exempt from the payment of franchise taxes. The companies since have paid the tax without legal resistance.

The companies are the Union Electric, the Phoenix Electric Light & Power Co., the St. Louis Cold Storage and Refrigerating Co., the Cupples Station Light, Heat & Power Co., the National Subway Co. and the St. Louis Pneumatic Tube Co.

Busy Bee Candles for Christmas. No Candles like Busy Bee Candles. —ADV.

BAIRNSFATHER TELLS OF EXPLORING RUINED FARM IN BELGIUM

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landed, and knew exactly where they were. "Just in the same old hullo! hullo!" With that rotating, gurgling whistle a big one had just sailed over and landed about 50 yards from one farm. I slipped in across the moat, through the courtyard, and explained to the others where it had landed. We all remained silent, waiting for the next. Here it came, surging along through the air; a pause, then "Crump!" nearly in the same place again, but, if anything, nearer the next farm. The Colonel moved to the window and looked out. "They're after that farm," he said, as he turned away slowly and struck a match by the fireplace to light his pipe with. About half a dozen shells whizzed along in close succession, and about four hit and went into the roof of the next farm.

Presently I looked out of the window again, and saw a lot of our men moving out of the farm and across the road into the field

beyond. There was a reserve trench here, so they went into it. I looked again, and soon saw the reason. Dense columns of smoke were coming out of the straw roof, and soon the whole place was a blazing ruin. Nobody in the least perturbed; we all turned away from the window and wondered how soon they'd have our farm. (To Be Continued in the Post-Dispatch Tomorrow.)

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Every Lady Wants a Wrist Watch—We sell the kind that we can warrant. Prices \$75 down to \$12.

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Open Every Night Until Xmas

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Diamond Scarf Pins \$8 UP

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The Kind That Fold Up to Go in a Suit Case. Pearl Gold and Ivory Handles. Silk Umbrellas.

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50 cents Per Week
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Our Last Winter Season in This Store COMPELLED TO SELL EVERYTHING! WOMEN'S AND MISSES' COATS, SUITS, SWEATERS, WAISTS, SKIRTS, FURS, ETC., WILL BE SOLD IN A PUBLIC SALE AT ALMOST GIVE-AWAY PRICES. BE HERE TOMORROW FOR THESE BARGAINS—DOORS OPEN AT 8:30 A.M.

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Worth From \$12.75 to \$22.50
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Hundreds of Styles and Materials
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\$35 Plush Coats, \$19.75
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Largest Stock of Coats in the City of St. Louis
Extra Size Coats for Stout Women 48's to 56's

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CHILDREN'S COATS, mostly small sizes, values up to \$7.95, choice at...**\$2.98**
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\$15,000 STOCK OF FURS

at Less Than Purchase Prices!!
CHILDREN'S FUR Sets—white and color—at...**\$2.98**
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S A T I N—LINED Large Fur Scarfs, worth up to \$22.50—**\$12.98**
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Sole Representative for the Steinway—the Pianola—the Vocalion
Open Evenings Until Christmas
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RETAILERS HERE TO PROTEST AGAINST FALSE ECONOMY

Will Send Delegation to Meeting of National Defense Board in January.

The Associated Retailers of St. Louis will send a committee to the January meeting of the National Defense Board of the Council of National Defense, to be held in January. The committee will protest against the tendency of Government spokesmen to advocate false and unnecessary economy, which leads to business depression.

The members of the committee will not be named until the time and place for the Economy Board meeting have been selected.

Members of the organization contend that such economy as was urged by Frank A. Vanderlip on his recent visit here will be very bad for business and react upon the Government by diminishing contributions for patriotic projects.

THAT PARAMOUNT CIGAR
Made right. Is right. All right. Get right. Smoke the peerless Paramount. 10c. Cheaper by the box. ADV.

Former Scout for Pershing Dies.
DEMING, N. M., Dec. 21.—John H. Locke, who was a scout for Gen. Pershing in Mexico and was the only one of three foreigners to escape from Villa's band when he raided Minaca with Gen. Pershing's troops in close pursuit, is dead here of pneumonia. Locke was a native of Minnesota.

AIR SERVICE OPEN TO DRAFT MEN

Registrants Can Enlist as Flyers and Balloonists.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Men of draft age qualified for present needs of the aviation section of the signal corps can seek immediate service despite the recent ruling discontinuing voluntary enlistment of draft men. It was announced that flyers and balloonists may enlist as heretofore upon passing the examination at the nearest aviation examining board which will conduct whatever negotiations are necessary with the exemption boards of the district from

which the volunteers are accepted. No aerial observers are now being accepted, the statement said, nor are nonflying officers, except a limited number of graduates of recognized engineering colleges or others who can qualify as expert engineers. Men seeking service in the aviation section enlisted personnel may volunteer only through their local boards.

Czech-Slovak Army for France.
PARIS, Dec. 21.—A decree authorizing the formation of a Czech-Slovak army in France appears in the official journal. One such army numbering 80,000 men already has been formed in Russia. It will be attached to the French army, which is being swelled daily by the arrival of recruits from America.

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Kid Gloves—\$1.50 to \$2.50

Military Sets
HANDY combinations of brushes, comb, shaving soap, mirror, toothbrush, nail file, sewing kit, talcum powder, etc. in khaki rolls.
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Wool Helmets
WE have just received another shipment of fine knitted Wool Helmets. The demand is so far greater than the supply that we urge you to call at once.
\$3.00

Handkerchiefs—10c to 75c
Neckties—35c to \$1.50
Shirts—75c to \$5.50
Manhattan—\$2.00 to \$5.50
Wool Gloves—50c to \$1.00
Silk Sox—35c to \$1.00

Silk Shirts
WE show a beautiful assortment of fine, pure heavy silks—attractive patterns and choicest quality—always an acceptable gift.
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Men's Neckwear
FOR Saturday we feature a beautiful line of pure heavy silk and satin Four-in-hand demand is so far greater than the supply that we urge you to call at once.
85c

Gifts for Your Soldier Boys

All-Wool Sweaters, \$7.50.
Sleeveless Sweaters, \$5.00 to \$5.50.
Wool Wristlets, \$1.00 and \$1.50.
Wool Helmets, \$3.00.
Wool Sox, 25c and 50c.
Wool Spiral Puttees, \$2.75.
Wool Shirts, \$5.00.
Regulation Spurs, \$3.50.
Khaki Handkerchiefs, 15c.
Money Belts, 50c to \$2.00.
Trench Mirrors, 25c to \$1.25.
Sheepskin Coats, \$12.50 to \$18.50.
Leather Leggings, \$7.50, \$8.50.

Men's and Young Men's Overcoats for Xmas!

NEW arrivals make the assortment larger and finer than ever—all the new models are here—all-around belt, trench, ¾ belt and pinch-back styles—in fine Meltons, kerseys, tweeds, chevots and cassimeres—overcoats to please every taste—sizes to fit men up to 50-inch chest—big values at every price....

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Dressy Coats—solid colors and fancy mixtures—button to neck or convertible collar—ages 2½ to 8.
High-class belted Norfolk Coats, with one or two pairs of full-lined knickers—some with vest.
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High-class Suits—coat, vest and knee pants—fine fabrics—sizes 12 to 19.



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Gifts for the Boys

Boys' Raincoats... \$3.50
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Flannel Blouses... 50c
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Boys' Winter Hats... \$1.25
Boys' Winter Caps... 50c
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Boys' Neckties... 25c and 50c
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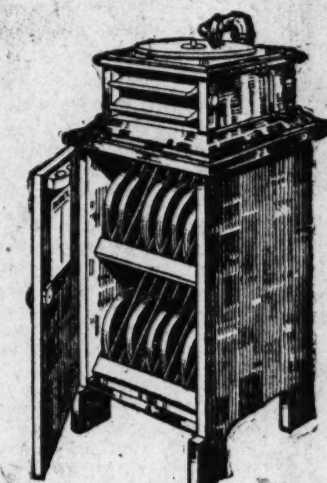


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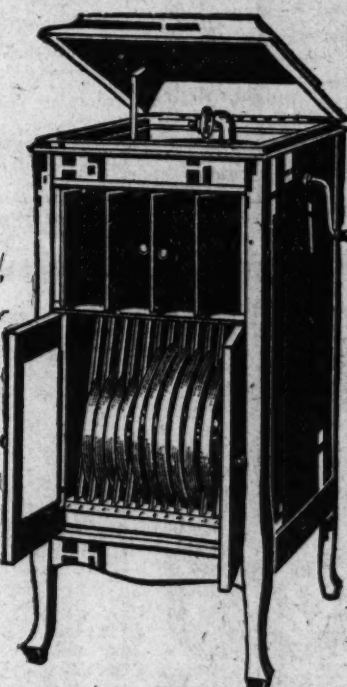
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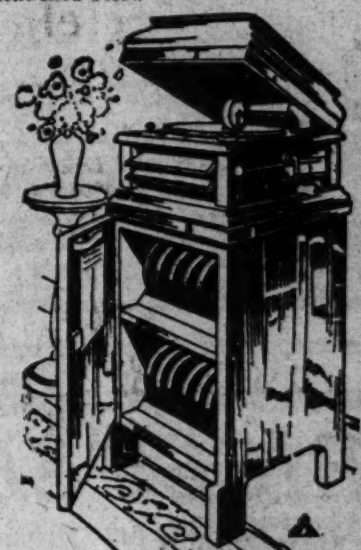
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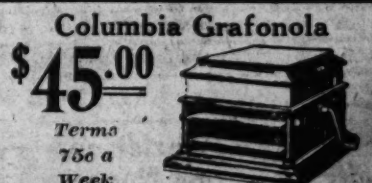
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SPEAKING of bargains, here's one for you. This is a high-grade Player-Piano—beautiful oak case—best player action—almost as good as new—original price \$500.00—in this sale at... **\$198**

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THE Estey is too well known to need description—this one has been put in good condition, and comes in walnut case. When new it sold for \$400.00—in this sale we offer it at... **\$89**

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WE offer this high-grade Vose Mahogany Piano at a remarkably low price. It has been thoroughly overhauled—sold for \$500 when new—in this sale at... **\$110**

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Show Never Stays—11 a. m. to 11 p. m.

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A Big Heavy, Funny Musical Comedy.
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\$1,000,000 DOLLS
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The Funniest Play in the Whole World.
SUNDAY NEXT A REAL XMAS ATTRACTION
SEATS NOW
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THEDA BARA The Greatest Screen Siren.
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See Cleopatra—She Knows.
Nights, Sun. Xmas & Sat. Mats. 25c to \$1. Other Mats. 25c & 50c. Seats Now.

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ALL SEATS 15c

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Tonight—Dorcas Fairbanks at 10:15
and Weekly! Kathleen Clifford in "The Girl in the Red Velvet Dress"
Consider Your Value in "Cinderella"
Admission: Adults 15c, Children 10c.

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TWO PERSONS HURT BY AUTOS

Miss F. Lilljeholm, 66 years old, of 2107 Geyer avenue, was knocked down at Jefferson and Geyer avenues last evening by an automobile driven by George J. Wingerhede, 3423 Texas avenue. Several of his ribs were fractured and he was cut over the right eye. He was taken to the city hospital.

Mrs. Mary J. Riley, a widow, 52 years old, of 1439 North Pendleton avenue, was hit by a motor truck driven by Thomas Jordan, 18 years old, of 2423 Washington avenue, at Pendleton and Barton avenues. Her right arm and several ribs were fractured. Jordan was arrested.

WILLIAM SHERWOOD DOYLE DIES

Colonel on Governor's Staff Was Ill of Pneumonia 10 Days.

William Sherwood Doyle, 46 years old, agency director of the International Life Insurance Co. here, and a Colonel on Gov. Gardner's staff, died at 4 o'clock this morning of pneumonia at his home, 5550 Etzel avenue. He was ill 10 days.

Doyle had many acquaintances and was one of an informal group known as the Amicorum Club, which met daily in a downtown cafe. His wife and a brother, who lives in Bixby, Ok., survive him.

For machinery of all kinds see the Post-Dispatch Want page offers.

47 PERSONS KILLED WHEN PASSENGER TRAINS COLLIDE

Louisville & Nashville Crashes Into Rear End of Accommodation at Shepherdsville, Ky.

DEMOLISHES 2 COACHES

Fast Train Appeared Just as Local Had Pulled Out From the Station.

SHEPHERDSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 21.—The death toll taken last night when Louisville & Nashville passenger train No. 7, from Cincinnati to New Orleans, crashed into the rear end of the Louisville, Bardonia & Springfield accommodation train, a few hundred feet south of the railroad station here had reached 47 today.

The wreck occurred just after the local train had pulled out from the station here, and only a short distance when the other train came into sight, traveling at a high rate of speed. Before it could be halted it had crashed into the slower moving train ahead and made kindling wood of the two wooden passenger coaches it carried.

The locomotive pulling the fast train was badly damaged, but the engineer and fireman escaped with a few bruises. The heavy steel coaches it pulled were uninjured with the exception of one baggage car, and the train was able to proceed when a second locomotive came from Louisville and the wreckage had been cleared from the track.

Blame for the disaster seems to hinge on whether the fast train had been given a clear block. Jesse Weatherford, operator at the station, said immediately after the collision that after the local train pulled away from the station he had turned his board to show the track clear for the fast train and left his post in response to orders to help unload baggage.

As he left the office, he said, he saw the train approaching, rushed back to his office, sat the red danger signal, picked up a red lantern and rushed to the platform to flag it. He reached the platform just as the train passed him, he said.

Supt. Sheridan questioned the crews of both trains, as well as the sections fore, but declined to attempt to fix the blame without further investigation.

Immediately after the crash passengers from the New Orleans train and Shepherdsville citizens went to the aid of those imprisoned beneath the wreckage of the local train.

Children Land in Snowdrift. Several of those killed were so badly disfigured that it was impossible to identify them last night. Two children whose identity had not been determined early today were found in snowdrifts into which they had been thrown and were cared for last night by Shepherdsville citizens.

One, a girl of about 11 years of age, was apparently unhurt, but had suffered such a violent shock as to lose her memory, at least temporarily. The other child, a girl about 4 years old, was asleep when picked up from the snowdrift into which she had been pitched by the impact of the collision. Her rescuers decided not to awaken her after it was found she was unhurt and the child slept the night through.

Many of the injured were so badly hurt that it is feared the death list will be increased even further.

Among the dead are: David Maraman, Shepherdsville; Mrs. Carrie May Simmons, Shepherdsville; Mrs. May Muir and George Muir, Mrs. R. H. Miller, Mrs. Arch Pulliam, James Thompson, Mrs. Thomas Moore Sr., Mrs. Mack Miller, W. Mack Miller, Mrs. H. H. Washburn, John Phillips, Ben Talbott, R. C. Cherry and Mrs. Cherry and R. C. Cherry Jr. of Bardonia; Mrs. Katie Joe, James Morrison, 12, and George Duke of Bardonia Junction; Virginia Duke, 12, Bardonia; Rev. E. A. Bertello, Chapeze; W. H. Thompson and Mrs. Thomas Miller, New Hope; Plagman Greenwell and Conductor Campbell of accommodation, Louisville; Forrest Overall, High Grove; Emory Samuels, Deatsville; Thomas Spalding, Springfield; J. W. Stansberry, Bardonia Junction; Mrs. Joseph Hurst and baby, Bardonia; David Phillips, New Hope; Thomas Shafer, Chapeze, Maggie May Overall, Cox's Creek.

Thirteen persons today were added to the list of identified dead. They include: Nat W. Muir, 65, banker, Bardonia, Ky.; Mrs. John Phillips, 50, Bardonia; Miss Ella Phillips, 18, Springfield; Miss Altha Simms, Springfield, Ky.; Elizabeth McElroy, 16, Springfield; Josie Bridges, 18, Deatsville, Ky.; Hollie Bridges, 20, Deatsville; Lucas Moore, 40, Deatsville; Frank Nunn, 28, Louisville; Mrs. George Duke, Bardonia Junction, Ky.; Miss Emma Samuels, Deatsville; A. W. Sherman, Samuels Depot, Ky.; Mrs. Daniel Nutt, 38, Shepherdsville, Ky.

Schnecke Candy Co., 104 North Third street—wholesale, Dolly Varden Chocolates, Schraff Chocolates, Temptation Chocolates, all sizes, plain and fancy boxes. Order now. Central 4263, Olive 5124. Open Sunday and Xmas morning—ADV.

The Last Call for Shoppers. Next Sunday's Post-Dispatch will again spread a vast volume of Christmas advertising before you. It is the final offering of St. Louis merchants who have provided an extraordinary holiday display this year. Don't miss this valuable treat. A multitude of suggestions! An abundance of savings!

Three Hurt in Car Collision.

Three men were injured last night when cars of the Tower Grove and Jefferson lines collided at Jefferson and Geyer avenues. Edward Egan, 1439 North Twenty-third street, and

John H. Bade, 3921 Castleman avenue, who were on the Jefferson car, were cut on the head and face. F. L. Molorman, 1723 South Jefferson avenue, a passenger on the Tower Grove car, was cut on the right ear.

A Gift Suggestion



Skates & Skating Shoes

Our selections for men, women and children are practical, sturdy and the acme of smartness and good taste.

Skating Shoes—

for men, \$6.50 to \$12 for women, \$6.50 to \$10

Canadian Automobile and Winslow Skates—

for men, up from \$5 for women, up from \$4.50 for children, up from \$2.

Fine Wool Hosiery—

for men, up from \$1.25 for women, up from 75c

Grope Shoe Co.
OLIVE AT 10th ST.

"Twas the Night Before Christmas and All Through the House—"

YOU all know the other two lines. But Christmas morning your house should resound with music and joyous laughter.

There is yet time—if you take advantage of this liberal offer to fill your home with joy, not alone on Christmas morning, but every day throughout the coming New Year.

THE VICTROLA

—is the instrument for your home. We have arranged special terms for your convenience.

This beautiful outfit, as illustrated:

Victrola Style IX at \$50.00
Cabinet Style 1403 at \$17.00
Total \$67.00

\$5 cash places this outfit in your home, balance \$5 monthly

Record Program

We have arranged this complete selection of choice records that will enable you to give a complete concert. These are additional at the prices quoted:

35649 Good Bye Broadway, One-Step—Conway's Band	74616 Emperor Quartette, Andante—Elman String Quartette	\$1.50
18359 More Candy, One-Step, Conway's Band	87107 Whispering Hope—Alma Gluck—Louise Homer	\$2.00
75c It's a Bird, Fox Trot, Conway's Band	88540 Blue Danube, Waltz, Frieda Hemple	\$3.00
35660 She's Dixie All the Time, Fox Trot—Conway's Band	64233 Berceuse from Jocelyn—Edmund Clement	\$1.00
18372 Don't Leave Me, Daddy, Fox Trot—Veo's Orchestra	64237 The Rosary, John McCormack	\$1.00
75c Zoo-Step, One-Step, Veo's Orchestra	64306 A Perfect Day, Evan Williams	\$1.00
35544 Matrimonial Difficulties, Golden & Marlowe	64397 Stille Nacht, heilige Nacht—Julia Culp	\$1.00
18325 A Love-Sick Ducky, Golden & Marlowe	64543 A Little Bit of Heaven—John McCormack	\$1.00
55046 Mr. Hitchcock's Curtain Speech—Raymond Hitchcock	64564 I've Gwine Back to Dixie—Alma Gluck	\$1.00
18325 Bungalow Story and High Cost of Living—Raymond Hitchcock	64664 Star-Spangled Banner—John McCormack	\$1.00
55067 Gunga Din, Taylor Holmes	74039 Marseillaise, Marcel Journet	\$1.50
18325 Boots, Taylor Holmes	74163 Humoresque, Mischka Elman	\$1.50
74338 Le Cygne (2) Waltz, Efreim Zimbalist		\$1.50

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GRAND-LEADER
SIXTH-WASHINGTON-SEVENTH & LUCAS

JAMERSON CLOTHES SHOPS

Philadelphia ST. LOUIS Kansas City
Boston Cleveland Cincinnati Indianapolis



Help

Win the war! You can do it by complying with the request of the Government to economize and conserve.

JAMERSON CLOTHES SHOPS offer you the opportunity. Pay from \$3 to \$8 less and at the same time secure your accustomed style and service. An absolute guarantee of satisfaction goes with every one of these usual

\$25 & \$20 Values
Suits & Overcoats
for \$17

Silk-lined Full-Dress Suits.....
Quarter-lined English Suits.....
Silk-lined Overcoats.....
Quarter Silk-lined Topcoats.....
\$20 and \$25 Qualities for.....
SAVE THE DIFFERENCE

Here's the Secret

It is quantity buying and elimination of all unnecessary expense. There are no high first-floor rents; no free deliveries; no charge accounts or bad debts; no floor-men or window trimmers; no reduction sales; YOU get the saving.

For Christmas—

Hudson Seal and Nutria
FUR COLLARS \$7.75
The \$10 and \$12 Kind
Adjustable to any style Overcoat

Jamerson Clothes Shops

"Of National Importance"

Second Floor

CARLETON BLDG., 6TH AND OLIVE

Take Elevator, Save 3 to 8

Open Every Night Till 9 O'Clock Until Xmas



Of Course!!
Victrolas & Victor Records
Are Very Appropriate
Xmas Gifts

Prices Are Only
\$15 \$20 to \$325

Naturally you want a perfectly NEW Victrola. All Victrolas at Kieselhorst's are new, unused and perfect, because we do NOT send Victrolas on approval.

Whatever Victrola Style you may desire, you'll find it best at Kieselhorst's, the largest exclusive Piano and Victrola store in St. Louis. We have only Victrolas here—no other makes.

Let These Victor Records Usher in Christmas Morning

Kieselhorst's sole policy—every Victor Record new, unused, perfect, because we do NOT send records on approval.

35641 Sing, O Heavens—Victor Mixed Chorus
81.25 It Came Upon the Midnight Clear
18403 Hello, Aloha, Hello—Shannon Four
75c In the Land of Wedding Bells—Campbell and Burr
48146 Holy Night (Cantique de Noel) with Lyric Quartet—Lucy Isabelle Marsh
81 Silent Night, Holy Night—Lyric Quartet
64473 Quartet in E Flat—Allegro—K. von Dittersdorf

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ESTABLISHED 1879
1007 OLIVE STREET
Open Evenings

Gift Certificates

For the friend who "has everything" give Hess & Culbertson Gift Certificates. Redeemable at any time.

Xmas Stationery

Our showing of Stationery offers splendid opportunity for Gift giving. Boxed Stationery, latest styles, 75c to \$12.50.

Hess & Culbertson
Seventh and St. Charles
Leading St. Louis Jewelers

Ready for the Final Days Before Xmas

Matchless Assortments of Gifts, and Prompt, Courteous Service for Everyone!

Suggestions

Beauty—Of solid gold, in dainty design, superbly wrought—a very useful gift, \$2.00

Knitting Needles—Highly appropriate, and they'll come in mighty handy just now—in attractive gift box, \$1.00

Mesh Bags—Of sterling silver, finely woven, with frame in neat engraved design, a gift the lady will be sure to appreciate \$16.50

Japanese Signet Rings—Doubly welcomed because of their utter "difference" from other gifts. Newest designs in solid gold, set with diamond \$10.00

Baby Spoons—A gift the little tot will delight in having; with nursery design and loop handle \$1.00

Napkin Ring—Also for baby's Xmas. Sterling silver, with monogram or name handsomely engraved \$1.50

Enamelled Derrings—For the young lady. Various attractive colored tops, with case of sterling silver, gold-plated \$5.00

Rosaries—Of 14-k. solid gold. Very expressive Xmas gift. In gift box \$10.00

Dressing Table Sets—In the very popular "Pyralis" ivory. Newest pattern, and monogram may be inscribed in color or 12-piece set \$19.00

Fitted Toilet Cases—For the man or woman who travels. Seal case, containing toilet necessities of Paris—\$20.00

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Diamonds—the Gift of Enduring Value

No gift can express your sentiments as faithfully as elegant Diamond Jewelry—and no other gift holds such lasting charm and appreciation for the recipient. The unquestioned quality of Hess & Culbertson Diamonds, the exclusive designs in which they are mounted, and the known fairness of their prices, are three good reasons why we enjoy the implicit confidence, regard and patronage of a discriminating public.



New Diamond Dinner Ring—artistic platinum design, mounted with 15 fine white diamonds of \$163.00



Diamond Ring—a gift of elegance: it is wrought in platinum and set with solitaire diamonds and is smaller diamonds \$185.00



Diamond Ring—of rich platinum, set with the quality white diamonds—elegant gift \$48.00



Exquisite Diamond Bracelet—The bracelet illustrated is an exclusive platinum creation, very dainty and artistically wrought; it is enhanced by three fine diamonds, each set in square mounting, price \$161.00



The Gift Ideal for the Young Lady! Handsome Diamond Bracelet Watch, wrought in platinum and set with a myriad of brilliant, sparkling diamonds \$450.00



Dainty Pearlman and Diamond Brooch—in attractive lace work design, set with seven diamonds \$110.00

Diamond Scarf Pins \$10.00 to \$250.00
Diamond Cuff Buttons \$7.50 to \$100.00
Diamond Earrings \$15.00 to \$1000.00
Add-a-Pearl Necklaces \$5.00 to \$150.00

Suggestions

Coral Cameo Rings—Beautiful carved Coral Cameo, in solid gold mounting, set with fine white diamond, a handsome gift \$13.50

Solid Gold Derrings—Handsomely wrought in newest design, with monogram engraved. Completely fitted \$17.00

Belt Buckles—Of 14-k. solid gold. A distinctive and very useful gift for the man. Handsome new design \$19.50

Clear Cutters—Of 14-k. solid gold. Brightly polished, plain design. Highly desirable gift for the man who smokes. Price \$5.75

Waldemar Chains—Solid gold, splendidly wrought. Attractive and practical gift for the man or student \$4.00

Collar Buttons—Inexpensive and very acceptable gift. Of solid gold, plainly wrought. In case \$1.00

Fountain Pens—The all-year-round gift. Self-filling style, decorated in 14-k. engraved solid gold. Price \$15.00

Watch Fobs—Wrought in 14-k. solid gold, a splendid gift the man will be sure to appreciate. Newest style \$10.00

Photo Frames—Of sterling silver, with American eagle and American flag decorating the top. Appropriate gift for the soldier or student \$15.00

Sleeve Links—New "No-Fuss" style of solid gold, with monogram handsomely engraved. Priced upwards from \$2.50

For the convenience of our patrons, this store will remain open each evening until Xmas

THREE MEN HURT BY STREET CAR

One Suffers Fractured Skull and Another a Broken Leg.
Alex Paria, a truck farmer living at Bissell and Walton roads, and his helpers, Peter Lanti of 4878 Easton avenue and Peter Madeira of Seventh and Morgan streets, were thrown from Paria's surrey, when the vehicle was hit by a Broadway car at Clarence avenue and Broadway at 1:30 o'clock this morning.

They were taken to the city hospital, where it was found that Paria's skull was fractured. Paria and Lanti were cut about the head and body and Lanti's left leg was fractured. The motorist told the police the accident was due to slippery rails.

Dancing at the Bevo Mill.
Every Wednesday and Saturday.
Gene Rodemich at the piano.—ADV.

NUXATED IRON

Increases strength of weak and nervous rundown people 100 per cent in ten days in many instances. \$100 FORFEIT. If it fails as per full explanation in large article soon to appear in this paper. Ask your doctor or druggist about it.

Judge & Druggist Co., Wolfe-Wilson Drug Co., Kellier Drug Co., Johnson Bros. Drug Co., Pauley Drug Store and Engler's Drug Co. always carry it in stock.—ADV.

\$835 IN STOLEN LEATHER FOUND

Negro Shoe Repairer and Two Factory Employees Arrested.
Leather heels and soles valued at \$600 found at the shoe repairing shop of Fred R. Parker, a negro, at 1120 North Sarah street, yesterday afternoon, were identified as having been stolen from the Glasgow-North Market factory of the International Shoe Co.

William and Sylvester Chambers, negroes, of 3969 Finney avenue, employed at the factory, from whom Parker said he had purchased the goods, were arrested. More heels and soles valued at \$235 found at the home of the Chambers brothers were identified as stolen. Fifty pounds of white oak leather found in Parker's shop was identified as the property of E. W. Schloeman of 725 North Eleventh street, stolen two weeks ago. Parker was released on bond. The Chambers brothers were held.

At the Busy Bee Bake Shops.
Fruit Cake, Tea Cakes, Petit Fours, Nut and Fruit Kisses, packed in boxes, assorted, 50c per pound.—ADV.

Least Shoppers Forget.
Last minute shopping will be best assisted by the advertising columns of next Sunday's Post-Dispatch. It is going to be a big Christmas window-teeming with a tremendous amount of welcome advertising news. Once more, the greater paper for Sunday will be the Post-Dispatch.

COTTON BELT INCREASES PAY

Railroad Clerks and Telegraphers Get Raise of 7.5 Per Cent.
Railroad clerks and telegraphers in the employ of the St. Louis Southwestern (Cotton Belt) will receive

7.5 per cent increases in pay Jan. 1, which will add more than \$100,000 a year to the company's pay roll. This increase, granted voluntarily by the company, was announced by President Herbert yesterday.

Edwin Gould of New York, chairman of the Cotton Belt Board of Directors, was in St. Louis, Mo., with President Herbert yesterday. He departed for New York last evening.

Service Car Chauffeur Beaten.
Six men engaged a service car at Sixth and Chestnut streets last night

and rode to Ewing and Washington avenues. When the chauffeur, Sam Reese, a negro, of 1409 Pine street, asked for the fare the men beat him and threw from the car. An officer later found the car was found at the fare the men beat him and gaged it.

Prompt Candy Service

Herz-Oakes have made splendid preparations to supply all your Candy needs for Christmas and the Holidays.

A competent and courteous sales force to render accurate, prompt service to "last-minute" shoppers.

And remember—Herz-Oakes Candies are unequalled for quality and purity, and are made fresh every hour under personal supervision of MR. AL HERZ

3-LB. BOX ASS'T CHOCOLATES, SPECIAL AT \$1.25

A Special Holiday Candy Value that cannot be equaled elsewhere. A full Three-Pound Box of rich, delicious assorted Chocolates—or a Three-Pound Box of Assorted Chocolates and Bonbons, attractively tied, for only \$1.25.

Fruit Cake

Brims of goodness and delicious flavor—made with the best ingredients obtainable. Per pound, 90c

Chocolates

Our superfine Royal Double-Coated Chocolates—very highest quality. Per pound, \$1.00

Open Every Evening

Until Christmas, our Store and our Tea Room will remain open every evening.

HERZ-OAKES CANDY CO.
512 LOCUST STREET



YULETIDE PLEASURES

Will Be More Complete and Impressive if

ROOS' LUXURIOUS FURS

Are Permitted to Contribute Their Bit Toward Comfort and Elegance

It would be impossible to think of a more sane and pleasing Holiday Token than a handsome fur creation from our unlimited and comprehensive stocks.

We not only have the most exclusive creations in the West, but a wonderful line at POPULAR PRICES. The inexpensive pieces are made with as much care as the more costly.

It will pay you to remember that the Roos label means your protection against fraud and deception. Roos Furs are good investments.

LEPPERT-ROOS 809 Washington Established 1887

STARCK'S FINAL CHRISTMAS OFFER

PIANO SALE

Pay Nothing Until After January 1st
Select your Piano now, begin paying in January as low as \$1.00 per week. New and Used Pianos and Player-Pianos, the world's best standard makes at one-third to one-half regular prices.

FREE 30 Days' Trial \$1.00 PER WEEK UP



Store Open Saturday and Monday Evenings.
This beautiful 25-year guaranteed Upright Piano is a sample of one of the great bargains in high-grade instruments included in this Great Sweeping Sale.

YOU PAY ONLY \$1 PER WEEK ON THESE USED PIANOS

Regular Price	Sale Price	Regular Price	Sale Price	Regular Price	Sale Price
\$450 Bauer	\$85	\$300 Kenmore	\$168	\$375 Everett	\$55
\$350 Wheelock	\$47	\$350 Starck	\$195	Irving	\$75
\$375 Kurlmann	\$99	\$350 Kimball	\$145	Aeolian-Player	\$105
\$300 Starck	\$320	\$600 Steinway	\$95	Mahog. Player	\$295

SAMPLE PLAYERS, \$365, \$395, \$435, \$485, \$520
LIST OF NEW PIANOS NEVER OFF THE FLOOR ONLY A LITTLE SHOPWORN.

\$300 Pianos now	\$165
\$350 Pianos now	\$225
\$400 Pianos now	\$245
\$650 Auto Player	\$265
\$700 Kenmore Player	\$385
\$850 Mahogany Soloist Player	\$485
\$1000 Oak Soloist Player	\$685

Sold on Very Easy Terms.

\$15 COUPON
Good on any new or used Piano or Player-Piano in our store, including the shopworn styles, during this sale.

Mail Orders Filled Promptly We will ship any piano or player-piano anywhere in the United States on 30 days' free trial. If it doesn't prove to be the equal of any player made at any price, ship it back and we will pay the freight both ways—you take no risk at all.

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MANUFACTURERS OF
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Make This a Diamond, Watch, Jewelry Christmas

Why give trifling presents when the price of a box of candy will secure handsome and lasting gifts—such as genuine Diamond Ring, La Valliere, Ear Screws, Stud, Scarf Pin, Bracelet, or a fine Watch, Wrist Watch, Emblem Ring or Charm, handsome Brooch, etc? Never before have our stocks been so replete with exquisite things or shown more amazing values.

We urge all who can do so, to shop in the morning hours, before the rush; for the convenience of those who are occupied through the day, our store is open every Night until Christmas.

Diamond Rings for Christmas Gifts

All the new designs in Diamond Rings, most of them made exclusively for us, and are of exceptional value. All mountings are solid gold.

LOFTIS SOLITAIRE-DIAMOND CLUSTER RING

The diamonds are mounted so as to look like one large single stone. Has the exact appearance of a Solitaire that costs three or four times as much. Our \$50, \$75, \$100 and \$125 values are beautiful rings, hand-specially made, ready for presentation.

Credit Terms: \$1.25, \$1.85, \$2.50 and \$3 Per Week.

685—Ladies' Diamond Ring, 14-k. Perfection solid gold. Loftis Perfection mounting. Priced at \$30 a Month.

1170—Cameo Ring, 4 fine Diamonds, pink Coral Cameo, fine solid gold. \$25 a Month.

Locket Top Signet Ring

1243—Locket Top Signet Ring, fancy carved floral design, rose gold finish, 2 fine Diamonds. \$25 a Month.

510—Bar Pin, bright green gold finish filigree work, 1 fine Diamond. \$25 a Month.

100—Marquise Ring, genuine Diamonds, 5 in a row, solid gold, Roman or solitaire gift. \$18 a Month.

267—Men's Diamond Ring, 6-prong "Tooth" mounting, 14-k. solid gold, Roman or solitaire gift. \$100 a Week.

550—Diamond Ring, Plain Flat Belcher, 14-k solid gold, polished finish, fine Diamond. \$40 a Week.

\$24 WRIST WATCH \$2.40 A MONTH

190—Wrist Watch full Jewel movement, high-grade, gold-filled case, plain polished or engraved; guaranteed 20 years. Priced for Christmas at \$24 a Month.

224—Scarf Pin, fine solid gold, filigree work, bright finish, 1 genuine Pearl, 1 fine Diamond. \$10 a Month.



HIS GIFT TO HER

This Is the Ring SHE Wants for a Christmas Present

The Loftis Perfection Diamond Ring leads all other gifts. It is our great special and the most popular ring ever designed. The extraordinary value we are giving is through our store and keeping our buyers busy supplying the demand.



Handsomely Cased in Ring Box, Ready for Presentation

Each Diamond is selected with special reference to the widespread effect and brilliancy which characterize all our diamonds. The beautiful 6-prong 14k solid gold Loftis Perfection mounting embodies all the lines of delicacy and beauty with the necessary security and strength. Very extraordinary value.

SPECIAL AT \$50. TERMS \$1.25 A WEEK

Buy Your Christmas Presents on Charge Account

Among worth-while gifts a beautiful Genuine Diamond stands paramount. It is a gift that never grows old, that never loses its original beauty, and increases in value with each passing year. The gift of a Diamond carries the highest expression of regard. Our Diamonds are distinctive in beauty and brilliancy, and our low prices and credit terms bring them within the reach of every one.

Any Diamond purchased from us for a Christmas present may be exchanged for other selection, at the full price paid, should the recipient desire to do so later on. With this privilege you need have no anxiety in choosing gifts.

La Vallieres for Christmas Gifts

The new designs in La Vallieres are more dainty and artistic than even fine wire work and delicate tracery characterize their graceful lines. La Vallieres are among the best sellers for Christmas presents.

ONE OF THE SEASON'S LEADING FAVORITES Extraordinary Value

Her Gift New Design

181—La Valliere, fine solid gold, scroll and open work border, bright finish, delicately carved shell Cameo, white head on pink background, 1 fine Diamond, 15-inch chain. \$15 a Month.

1161—La Valliere, fine solid gold, green gold leaves, bright finish, 4 fine, brilliant Diamonds. Special price for Christmas. \$25 a Month.

175—La Valliere, fine solid gold, open work design—bright finish—Pearl, 1 fine Diamond, 15-inch chain. \$10 a Month.

For His Gift—Diamond Stud

91—Diamond Stud, solid gold, Loftis Perfection mounting, at \$1 a Week.

Loftis Perfection Diamond Scarf Pins—same price and terms.

GIVE A TIME GIFT Hunting Case \$22

182—Cuff Links, fine solid gold, embossed scroll design, 2 fine Diamonds in bright cut star settings, rose gold finish. Price, per pair, \$20 a Month.

493—Men's Watch, hunting case, 14-k. plain polished, assorted patterns, or engine turned, guaranteed 25 years, fitted with 11-jewel Elgin, Waltham or Illinois movement. \$22 a Month.

We Accept Liberty Bonds at 105 in payment for any of our merchandise, or in settlement of accounts.

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Diamond and Watch Credit House
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DANCE HALL AND CLUBROOM (for rent); late; for private parties. Also suitable for ladies and gentlemen, at Van Dyke Hotel, 700 Yerkes. at Hamilton, Phone Central 8716. (c3)

REAL ESTATE

Solid apt. 1 b.e. lin. minimum \$95. Discount 2 b.e. lin. on 1st or more inquiries.

1998

FARM-For sale: 165 acres; 12 miles rural
to town; 100' wide front; good soil; 80
acres in cultivation; house and orchard;
fine timber. \$2300. Supt. Schools, Pacific
Highway, Astoria, Ore.

REAL ESTATE FOR EXCHANGE

AUTOMOBILE Wid.-Will pay cash for
good used car. Call Mr. J. H. Smith,
Newtown, Carlisle, Mo.

BURBANK - Will trade for 10-room or less
house; modern throughout; about 1000
block Washington bl., owner. Box P-921, P.O. #1

CITY REAL ESTATE FOR SALE

MISCELLANEOUS

LOT-Am going to leave will sell my first-
crust lot reasonable. Box D-89, P.O. #1

SUBURBAN PROPERTY FOR SALE

MISCELLANEOUS

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Thousands of Discriminating Christmas Shoppers Will Come to Famous-Barr Co. Tomorrow for

Men's Christmas Overcoats!

Expert Last-Minute Service, Adequate Assortments and Best Values



¶ The final big Saturday is at hand! Thousands who have put off their holiday buying until the last minute will come hurrying in, still expecting to find good assortments here. We've PLENTY for everybody—Belts and Trench Coats, modishly military—and the good, dependable conservative Coats as well—many of which will find their way into happy homes Xmas morning.

¶ THE BIG POINT we want to emphasize is that our immense assortments are STILL ADEQUATE to every need, with the same inimitable values, such as only St. Louis' Foremost Clothes Store can provide, at.....

\$14.50 \$17.50 \$20 \$25 to \$60

Full Dress Suits

¶ Including the celebrated "Society" Brand Suits—the height of holiday readiness to supply your wants tomorrow.

\$19.50 to \$50.00

\$35 \$40 \$45 Society Brand Suits

Sold to Us By the Makers at Big Savings and Offered at..... **\$29.50**

Finest Society Brand Suits—all this season's best styles. Owing to the immense advances in woolsens, this purchase is of abnormal importance to all who wish to save money on superfine clothes. Do not wait—the lot will soon be gone.

Fur-Lined Coats

¶ They are the ideal gift for the doctor, and others who must be out in the Winter weather. Fine choosing Saturday, from

\$32.50 to \$175

Fur-Collar Coats

Special Values. **\$25**

¶ Hudson seal or nutria collars, with the coat proper of Oxfords or blue Meltons; excellently tailored. Sizes 34 to 44. Others up to \$75.00.

Blue Serge Suits

Extremes Values at... **\$22.50**

¶ Hand-tailored, close weave, fast color Suits—unbeatable for all-around dependable wear.

Business Suits

Cassimeres and Worsteds

\$20

¶ Choice of youthful and conservative styles—all well tailored; excess values.

Suits at \$14.50

Unusual Values

¶ Expect them to be, as we say, UNUSUAL values; models for young and middle-aged men.

"Slip-On" Raincoats

Special Values Saturday at..... **\$9.75**

¶ Tan and gray Cashmere, rubberized coats, double breasted, with convertible collars. Sizes 34 to 50.

Mackinaws

¶ Just the thing to get him if he skates or plays golf—a splendid gift for ANY man. Still good choosing at

\$6.75 to \$15

Fancy Vests

¶ Silk, mercerized and fancy mixture Waistcoats—embracing all the new and wanted styles, specially featured at

\$2.65, \$3.75, \$4.75

Send F. B. Co. Gift Certificates

—no possible chance to send the wrong gift—no perplexity in selection, no anxiety afterward. At any exchange desk—we'll issue your certificates for any amount you please, redeemable in merchandise anywhere in the store, when presented by the recipients.

Or Send Gift Coupons

—which are similarly issued in books of 10, 25 and 50 10-cent coupons.

Either method means certain satisfaction.

Last Minute Reminders:

- PLEASE shop as EARLY in the day as possible.
- PLEASE carry SMALL parcels with you.
- Put a Red Cross Seal on EVERY parcel, letter and card.
- Join the Red Cross AT ONCE.
- Buy U. S. Government Thrift Stamps.

In Time for Xmas Parties and Dances!

Girls' Party Frocks

Special Values Saturday at

\$9.95 and \$14.95

¶ Scores of models, all delightfully attractive—in chiffon, crepe de chine, taffeta and Georgette, charmingly trimmed, colors pink, blue, green and maize. Sizes 8 to 16 years.

Girls' Coats, \$11.95 and \$19.95

Values \$16.50 to \$39.75

Tailored and dressy Coats of zibeline, velour, burella, velvet and cheviots.

Many fur trimmed. Sizes 6 to 16.

Girls' White Dresses, Special at \$1.50 to \$3.95. Sizes 6 to 14 years.

Girls' Serge and Silk Dresses, Very Special at \$10 and \$15

Sizes 8, 10 and 12 years.

Girls' Play Outfits, \$1.50 to \$3.95

Sizes 6 to 14. Third Floor



You Can Still Buy Her Furs at Special Prices!

¶ Four immense feature groups, largely special purchases, offering SAVINGS UP TO A THIRD. You'll surely find a set to please mother, wife or sister among these remarkable groups—



Sets **\$22** at Raccoon, Jap cross wolf, marmot, nutria, opossum, taupe wolf.

Sets **\$44** at Skunk, mink, taupe wolf, black wolf, black lynx, beaver.

Sets **\$66** at Skunk, mole, pointed fox, Hudson seal, Kolinsky, Jap, beaver, red fox and others.

Sets **\$88** at Mink, skunk, Point fox, taupe fox, black lynx, white fox, ermine.

Third Floor



Men's Pure Silk Shirts

Will Hurry Out Saturday at

\$4.95

¶ Just picture what a call there will be for these Shirts tomorrow. They're pure thread silk; patterns of striking attractiveness—\$5.95 and \$6.95 quality tub silks, baby broadcloths and silk crepes. All sizes.

Ties at 65c

—2 for \$1.25

Rich Xmas choosing in this group tomorrow—good, big, open-end Silks, patterned in unusual ways.

Ties at \$1.00

¶ Hand-tailored Cravats with the custom-made air that particular men seek. Roman stripes, flowered and rich figured effects.

Ties at \$1.50

¶ Rich and fine Taffetas, Mattelasses and Persian Silks, yet not so gay as to exceed the bounds of good taste. A brilliant collection! Main Floor, Aisle 9

Hats to Give a Man

¶ "The Boxford" if you want to give a good soft hat at little outlay. **\$2.50.**

Stetson Hats—50 styles at \$4.50.

Velour Hats—copying the expensive imported hats. **\$3.50.**

Black Derbies—seconds of \$3.00 grades at **\$1.85.**

Fur Caps—Baltic Seal, Cape Seal, Pieced Seal, Alaska Seal and Muskrat. **\$3 to \$25.**

Winter Caps—that pull down over the ears—50c to **\$2.50.**



Main Floor, Aisle 8.

Those Wonderful Winston Shoes

for Men **\$5** at

¶ Find their equals if you can—we're sure they are not to be found in St. Louis. Choice of "English" and broadtoe lasts in calf, kid and tan leathers.

Second Floor

Why Not a "Trench" Overcoat for His Christmas?

¶ Every boy wants one—surely! They're the very newest thing—up-to-the-minute and smart as can be.

at **\$12.50**

—a big, heavy wool cassimere Coat, or burly, rough-finished tweed, carefully INTERLINED with flannel—all made with the ALL-AROUND BELT that is the stamp of military smartness. A MANLY Coat if there ever was one—and sure to please the lad of 8 to 18 years.

Other Trench Coats, \$5.75 to \$20.

Polo Coats at \$8.50

Sizes 2 1/2 to 8 Years
¶ Tweeds and chinchillas, belted; flannel lined.



Mackinaws
Every Boy Wants One. **\$7.75**
All-wool plaids and checks. Sizes 6 to 18 years. Others \$2.95 to \$12.50.

Academy Suits
Our Very Best Values **\$10.00**
Cassimeres, serges and chevots; sizes 10 to 18 years.

Velvet Suits
For the Littlest Chaps **\$4.95**
Each with white pique detachable collar and cuffs.

Two-Pants Suits
Best Values in the City at **\$6.75**
Checks, plaids, mixtures; all knickers lined.

Corduroy Suits
Each With Extra Knickers. **\$7.50**
Dark drab corduroy, belted. Sizes for big boys only.

Play Suits
Make Youngsters Happy. **\$1.25 to \$4.50**
Indian, Naval Cadet, Soldier or Scout. Sizes 2 to 10 years.

Second Floor

Finally and Emphatically—Smoking Jackets!



¶ After all is said and done, there is nothing you can buy for the same money that will have quite the same, intimate, warm appeal to a "home" man as a smoking jacket, and there is no place in St. Louis where you can see the VARIETY of styles and the array of splendid values that you can see here. Make him happy with one of these—

\$4.75 to \$25.00

Second Floor

50c Tinker Toys, 25c

¶ A whirlwind selling in Toyland tomorrow, starting with these popular wood construction toys.

Automobiles, \$5 to \$21.50. Steering Coaster Bleds, \$1.20

Wheelbarrows, 65c to \$1.45. Boys' Wagons, 95c to \$3.75.

Doll Beds, \$1.00 to \$4.45. Ives' Mechanical Trains, \$1.50 to \$5.00.

Hand Cars, \$3.95 to \$7.95. Ives' Electric Trains, \$3.50

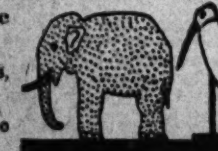
Chairs, 50c to \$3.75. Doll Cabs, \$1.75 to \$8.95. to \$25.00.

Doll Go-Carts, 50c to \$4.45. Boys' Velocipedes, \$2.95 to \$15.00.

Sidewalk Sulkies, 95c to \$6.90. Boys' Wagons, 95c to \$3.75.

Tea Sets, 65c to \$3.50. Model Builders, \$1.00 to \$25.00.

Dolls, slightly soiled, while they last, Saturday at 1/2 price. Toyland, Basement



Famous and Barr Co.

Entire Block: Olive, Locust, Sixth and Seventh
We Give Eagle Stamps and Redeem Full Books for \$2 in Cash or \$2.50 in Merchandise—Few Restricted Articles Excepted. Largest Distributors of Merchandise at Retail in Missouri or the West.

How Many Lucky Men Will Get These Sweater Coats

Offered Saturday at **\$4.75**

¶ Every coat is less than the present market price calls for—shawl and V-neck Coats, knitted in 1x1, rope stitch and Cardigan styles. Each in a holiday box, Saturday, at **\$4.75.**

Second Floor



Victrola, \$57.50

¶ Thousands of homes can be made happy with this smaller and less expensive model, and which plays all Victrola records and has all the exclusive Victrola features. "I Hear You Calling Me"

—One of John McCormack's most celebrated songs; ask for Record No. 4413; price, \$1.00.

Sixth Floor

For Skaters, Boxers and Others

Hockey and Racing (Tabula) Skates, shoes attached, special, pair..... **\$9.75**
Rink Skates, for men and women, pr. **\$3.50**
Rink Skates, with hypotetoid hardened steel runners, saw-tooth toes, pair..... **\$5.00**
Ball-Bearing Roller Skates, for girls and boys, pair..... **\$2.00**
Rugby Footballs, with guaranteed blades..... **\$1.50**

Juvenile Striking Bag Outfits
—Consisting of platform attaching to wall and good canvas bag..... **\$3.35**

Youths' Boxing Gloves
—Tan flannel, stuffed with curled hair; set of four..... **\$1.35**

Second Floor

Editorial Page
New Photographs
Women's Features
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1917.

ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH DAILY MAGAZINE

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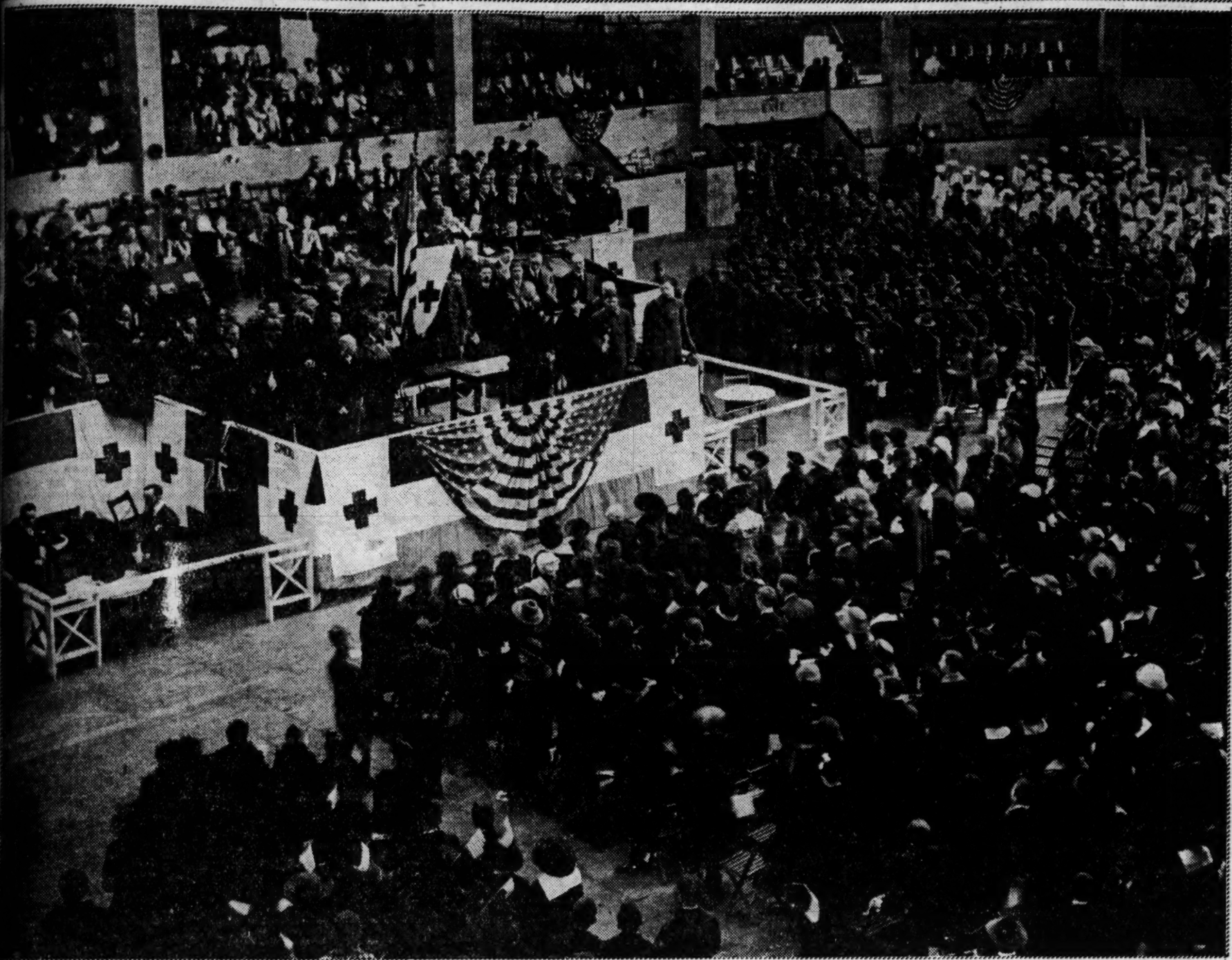
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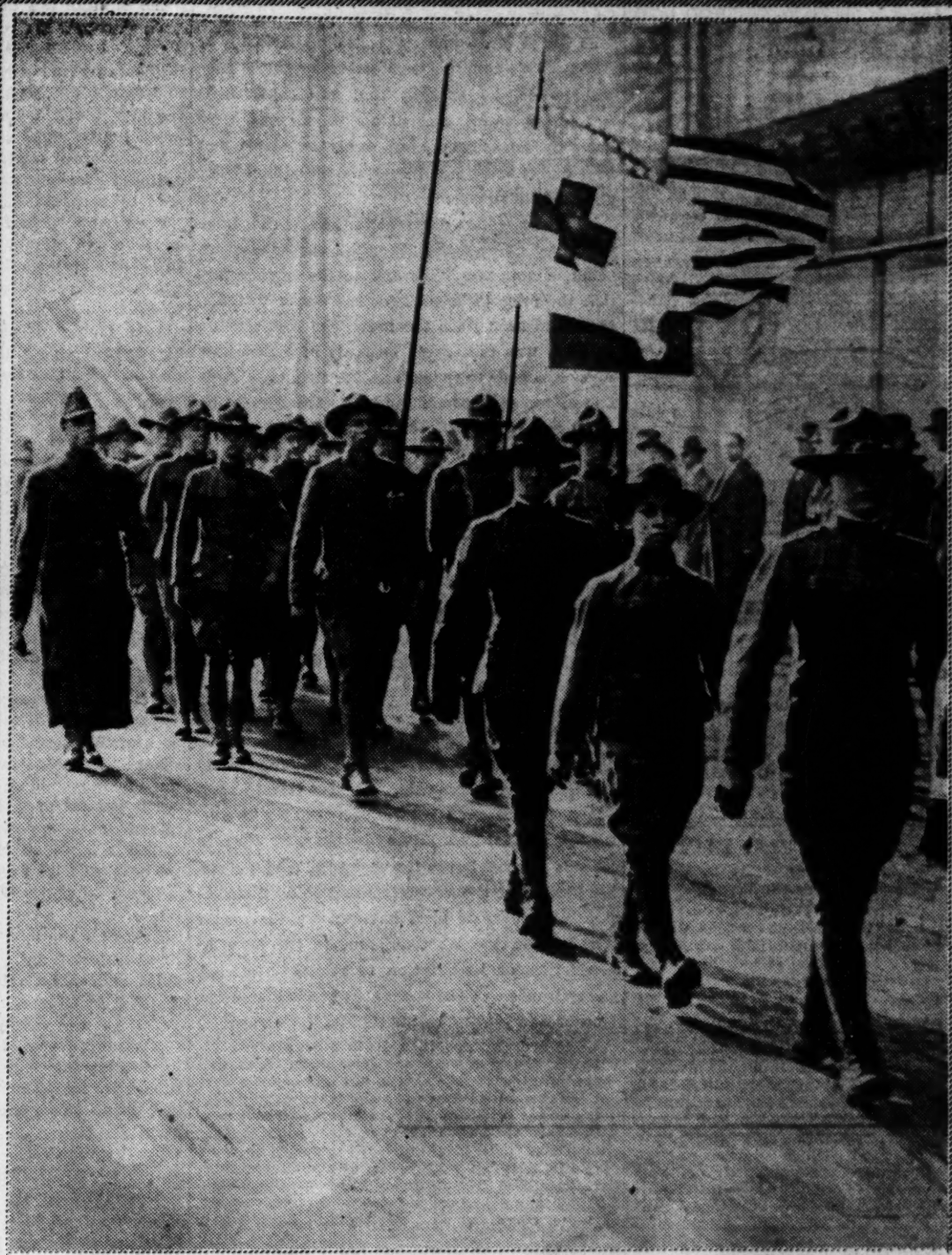
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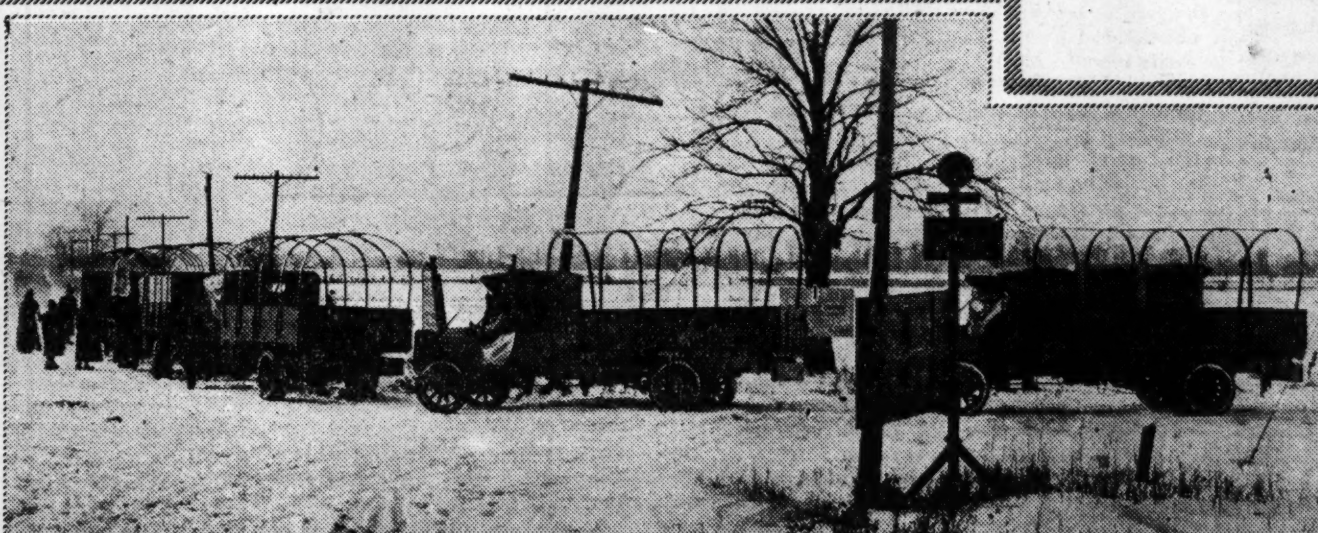


Rally in the Coliseum which followed the parade of soldiers, High school cadets, university students and naval scouts in yesterday's Red Cross campaign.



First appearance of St. Louis High school cadets in the Red Cross parade Thursday.

He voted against war in Congress, then went over to France to observe conditions, came home, resigned and enlisted as a private in the regular army. He is Royal C. Johnson of North Dakota.



Start of the first motor truck train from Detroit to the Atlantic. 33 three-ton Packard trucks now on their way, one being a kitchen. Army officers are in command. If the trip is a success 30,000 more army trucks will follow to relieve the railroad congestion.



Ceremony at Washington University when service flag containing 200 stars was raised on the north tower.



Serbian war orphan brought back to this country by Miss Elizabeth Shelley of Washington, who will rear him to be an American. © HARRIS & EWING...

She collects your tickets if you travel to Texas on the Frisco.

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INTER EVENINGS.

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Healthy "Poor" Men.

Sanctus Chronicle.
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The Bright Side.

York Sun.
DID tonic is in the
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Y's BEST CROWN.

URING the nine months ended
September, 1917, there were
1850 emigrants from Ireland, a
decrease of 3831 from the corre-
sponding period in 1916. The emi-
grants in 1917 went to the following
countries: England and Wales, 788;
Ireland, 705; United States, 33;
Canada, 40; South Africa, 12; Aus-
tralia, 12; New Zealand, 9; and other
countries, 1. Emigration to the
United States, as compared with the
same months of 1916, shows a
decrease of 2922.

Had An Advantage.

Yes, I have met your wife,
I knew her before you mar-
ried her.
Ah, that's where you had
the advantage of me. I didn't—
Transcript.

Dishwashing
and Disease

HOW many of those who approve
the legislation abolishing the
common drinking cup in many
states stop to think that at every
public and private, they are
using dishes and utensils from which
germs of other persons, mostly
strangers, have previously eaten?
These utensils have all presumably
been cleansed by washing, in the
kitchen; but this, it will be noted,
completely throws the burden of disease
prevention on the dishwasher. How
generally is the dishwasher trust-
worthy? The Literary Digest takes
up the subject and quotes an editorial
from the American Medicine (New
York) who assures us that dishwash-
ing as a household performance is
worthy of study in connection with
the preservation of family health
and that in the realm of cafe, res-
taurant, hotel dining rooms, or quick-
service places, it is a matter of public
concern. This writer discusses some
recent observations and experiments
by Manheimer and Ybanes, to de-
termine the relative efficiency of
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THEIR data demonstrate that
if manual dishwashing were
performed carefully and thor-
oughly, it would be no more
comparatively little menace in
the use of dishes and silver
ware than the use of a dish-
washer. Unfortunately, in per-
formance, manual dishwashing is less
satisfactory than is desirable, owing
to the fact that the rush of patron-
age in these places is a matter of public
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Mechanical washing eliminates
the uncertainty of hand-power, subjects
the dishes to higher temperatures
than are possible during the manual
process, and provides a time of ex-
posure to water of a temperature
sufficiently high to kill all nonspore-
forming organisms.
The significance of the deduc-
tions with reference to the difference
between the two methods
lies in the fact that uncleanliness
dishwashing has a bearing upon
the welfare of the entire consuming
public, whether the meals are eaten
at home or purchased over a counter,
at a table.

In the average home dishwashing
is not a remarkably hygienic process.
The water is usually below the tem-
perature necessary for destroying
bacteria, because the dishwasher
must frequently dip her hands into
the pan containing the soapy water.
The water itself plays very little part
in the disinfecting process. The
dishes, cups, glasses, plates, and
utensils utilized during the
separation or consumption of food,
at a table.

NCLEAN dish towels are
generally employed for the
drying of dishes which
may have been reasonably free
from infective material. Rapidly in-
creasingly, it is not unnatu-
ral in the household where the routine
of dishwashing is not regarded so much
a matter of hygiene as a problem
of aesthetics, and where the desire to
keep out of the house for purposes of
business or shopping makes speed a
factor of prime interest. Further-
more, the practice of permitting
dishes to accumulate or to re-
main smeared with bacteria-breeding
media, attracting flies or insects
and possibly rodents, is highly con-
ducive to insuring cleanliness of the
kitchen at the next usage.

It is obvious that the character
cleanliness in homes can be im-
proved only through the education
of the public, and by the insist-
ence of physicians that hygienic prin-
ciples be observed when infectious
disease afflicts a household. It is
possible to protect the public from
careless, ignorance, or haste
public eating places, by passing
ordinances demanding that all eating
places in public places be subject
to a temperature of at least 50 de-
grees C. for one minute before they
are utilized by other patrons.
The detail, but the solution of hy-
giene is built up of trifles. Per-
sonal hygiene is attained only by
attention to the little things.

A Mind Content.

HENRY HOLLINS, a young mill
hand in Massachusetts, having
slight mental trouble, was sent
to a state asylum. After he had been
in the asylum a few weeks a fellow
worker visited him.
"Hello, Henry!" he asked. "How
you getting on?"
"I'm gettin' on fine," said the pa-
tient.
"I glad to hear it. I suppose you'll
be back to the mill soon?"
"What!" exclaimed Henry, and
of great surprise came to his
eyes. "Do you think I'd leave a big
house like this and a grand gar-
den come back to work in a mill?"
"Must think I am wrong in my
opinion," said the visitor.
—Harper's.

The Irish Now Stay at Home.

URING the nine months ended
September, 1917, there were
1850 emigrants from Ireland, a
decrease of 3831 from the corre-
sponding period in 1916. The emi-
grants in 1917 went to the following
countries: England and Wales, 788;
Ireland, 705; United States, 33;
Canada, 40; South Africa, 12; Aus-
tralia, 12; New Zealand, 9; and other
countries, 1. Emigration to the
United States, as compared with the
same months of 1916, shows a
decrease of 2922.

Had An Advantage.

Yes, I have met your wife,
I knew her before you mar-
ried her.
Ah, that's where you had
the advantage of me. I didn't—
Transcript.

Fine Feathers

By C. D.
BATCHELOR.

THEY are fine feathers, her dressmaker had
assured her and the bills have made as-
surance doubly sure. Happiness is hers
in the envy of women and the admiration of men.
Yes, fine feathers they are, feathers gathered from
the four corners of the earth by the hands of toil-
ers, by the skill of honest hearts. Fine feathers
indeed, yet has the little bird a fine heart, is her
mind a fine thing, does the fineness end with the
feathers? Our acquaintance with the world says
it all too often does.

DOROTHY
DIX SAYS

Women Are Never So Wildly Extravagant
as When They Are Trying to
Be Economical.

IN these war times when we all
live in the fear and admonition
of Mr. Hoover, and when the
practice of economy has become not
only an expression of patriotism, but
an obsession, it is a good thing to sit
down and try to figure out when
savings is saving and when it is
wasting.

Especially is this true in regard to
the woman who is only too frequently
pernicious and pound foolish and
who are never so wildly extravagant
as when they are most conscientious-
ly trying to be economical.

Indeed, one man I know claims
that he really can't afford his wife's
economy. He says that he can pay
her bills with ease so long as she
follows her usual scale of expendi-
ture, but that when she has fits of
retrenchment and saving she bank-
rupts him.

Most women will have an uneasy
feeling that this woman's economy
is for the majority of our crimes
of extravagance are committed in
the name of economy and we waste
more money in trying to save than
in any other way.

What women, for instance, has not
at times indulged in the ruinous ex-
travagance of having her old frocks
and hats made over? At the be-
ginning of a season she gets out her
last year's gear and looks it over.
Times are hard. Husband is com-
plaining about the high cost of liv-
ing. Her old duds look pretty good
to the woman. Not quite good
enough to wear as they are, but with
a little touch here and there they
will pass muster. She has an inspira-
tion of saving. She will have them
made over.

She takes the hat and gown to the
milliner and dressmaker, who look
sour and disgruntled, but who, rather
than lose a good customer, agree to
see what they can do with the old
things. They do.

THE addition of a couple of
\$15 ostrich feathers, a bolt of
expensive ribbon and some im-
ported ornaments the old hat is cam-
ouflaged into an understudy of a new
one at about twice the price of a new
one. While the cost of reconstruc-
tion of the old gown, with layers
of chiffon, embroidery, spangles, gold
net and heaven knows what super-
imposed upon it, makes its second
estate far more expensive than the
first. And they are still made over
clothes and look it.

It takes a bank roll big enough
to choke an elephant and a barrel
of tears to teach a woman that hav-
ing her old things made over is an

marked down to \$5. And you have
too many hats, and your feet are
shabby.

WORSE than that, if you get the
bargain mania, you fritter
away your money on a lot of
useless odds and ends that you buy
simply because they are cheap, that
clutter up your house and for which
you have no earthly use. That's
where your money goes, and that's
why you never have any to spend on
a really good gown or hat. I also
avoid cheap things, because a cheap
thing is never cheap, it never has the
wear to it, to say nothing of the
looks, that a good article does.

"The way to economize on clothes
is to buy the most expensive ones
you can possibly afford. It pays in
the end because they last better and
they always have an air and a style

Also it takes age and bitter expe-
rience to teach a woman that a bar-
gain is almost invariably a bomb-
arded with dynamite. I recently over-
heard a conversation between two
sisters that illuminated this point
with great clearness. Said one of
the sisters to the other:

"We have exactly the same allow-
ance, yet you are always dressed ex-
quisitely and I look like a human rag.
How do you do it?"

"By avoiding a bargain sale as I
would a case of smallpox," replied
the other. "Oh, I know the fascina-
tion of getting something for \$1.97
that has been marked down from \$2.
and buying a French model at half
price at the end of a season, and so on.
I know they look alluring and
sound alluring, but when you get
them home they are never just
exactly what you want, and you gen-
erally find out that you bought an
evening gown because it was a bar-
gain, when what you needed was a
sport suit, or that you've invested
the money you intended to put in a
pair of shoes in a hat, because ev-
erything in that sale had been

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Cookie RecipesSupplied by St. Louis Women's
Food Conservation Committee.

- 1 cup oleo.
1 cup sugar.
1 cup molasses.
1/2 cup water.
1 tablespoon of ginger.
1 tablespoon of cinnamon.
1 teaspoon cloves.
1 teaspoon soda dissolved in
a little hot water.
Honey Nut Cookies.
3 eggs.
2 1/2 cups brown sugar.
2 cups molasses.
1 teaspoon soda.
1 teaspoon cinnamon.
1 teaspoon allspice.
1/2 teaspoon ground cloves.
Pinch salt.
Flour enough to roll out 1/4
inch thick.
Moderate oven.
Honey Cake.
4 eggs.
6 tablespoons cocoa.
1 teaspoon cinnamon.
1 teaspoon cloves.
1 cup milk.
1 cup honey warmed.
2 1/2 cup flour half whole and
wheat.
3 teaspoon baking powder.
Baked in shallow pans; cut
when cold.
Brownies.
1-3 cup oleo.
1 cup Porto Rico molasses.
1 egg, well beaten.
1 cup bread flour.
1 cup pecan meat, cut in
pieces.
Mix ingredients in order
given; bake in small, shallow,
fancy cake tins, garnishing top
of each cake with one-half pecan.

to them that shoddy things never
have."
Of course, bargain hunting cannot
be solely attributed to woman's mis-
guided sense of economy. A woman
goes bargain hunting for the same
reason that a man goes big game
hunting—for the excitement of the
chase. Both probably get the worth
of their money in the fun they have,
but neither one of them are money-
saving amusements.
Now, thrift is one of the most ad-
mirable qualities that any woman
can possess, and no one would throw
a wet blanket over the enthusiasm
of those ladies who are attempting
to practice it. It is a wholesome ex-
perience in every way. It may pos-
sibly save something for the Gov-
ernment, and it will certainly be a
valuable object lesson to the women

UT while all the prophets on
the watch towers are calling
on them to save, save, save!
I should like to call their attention
to the importance of saving them-
selves at the same time that they
save their bread crumbs and potato
parings.

There's no real economy in spend-
ing \$500 to save \$5, and yet that's ex-
actly the sort of financiering that a
lot of women are doing. Not long
ago I went to see a woman who was
convalescing from a physical break-
down that had necessitated the ex-
penditure of a young fortune in doc-
tor's bills, trained nurses, medicines
and a sanatorium.
But the woman was perfectly ju-
biloant in the possession of an ap-
prising conscience because she had
saved \$15 in repainting an old set of
furniture and cleaning out an attic.
Instead of hiring a painter and a
charwoman to do the work for her,
for which she had neither the skill
nor the bodily strength.

"You had child," said his mother,
"you ate with my slipper."
"Oh, mother, I did not eat it!"

THE SANDMAN
STORY FOR
TONIGHT
BY MRS. F. A. WALKER.

Timmy and Ben Mouse.

ONE day Timmy Mouse's mother
brought home a very large
piece of cheese for her chil-
dren's supper and told them not to
tell anyone about the feast they were
to have, for there were plenty of lazy
mice in the neighborhood who would
try to carry it off.
Mother Mouse put away the cheese
in the pantry under a dish, and on
top put another dish so it would be
quite nice and soft for supper.
Mother Mouse then ran back to the
place where she had found the cheese
to see if she couldn't find some crack-
ers to go with it.

Timmy Mouse followed her to the
door in the pantry under a dish, and on
top put another dish so it would be
quite nice and soft for supper.
Mother Mouse then ran back to the
place where she had found the cheese
to see if she couldn't find some crack-
ers to go with it.

"Hello, Timmy Mouse," he said:
"Had your dinner?"
"No, but I am going to have a nice
supper," answered Timmy Mouse.
"What are you going to have?"
asked the sly Ben Mouse.
"Oh, cheese and crackers," said
Timmy; "that is, if mother finds the
crackers."
"If see," said Ben Mouse. "You have
the cheese already, but you have no
crackers."
"Yes," replied Timmy, forgetting
what his mother told him, "and it is
a fine big piece, too."
"Don't believe it," said Ben; "let's
see it."

Then Timmy Mouse remembered
what his mother had told him. "No,
I can't; mother would not like it."
"Oh, ho! I thought you did not
have any. If you had a piece of
cheese," said Ben Mouse, "you would
let me see it. You haven't got any."
"Yes, I have," said Timmy, "and
I'll prove it to you if you won't tell
anyone you saw it."
"Oh, I promise you I will keep it a
secret," said Ben Mouse, and Timmy
led the way to the pantry and lifted
off the top dish.
"It is under there," he said.
Benney Mouse looked greedily at the
cheese. "My! that is a big piece," he
said, putting the dish over it again.
"Well, you did have it, after all,"
he said. "Let's go out and play hide
and seek."

After a while Timmy Mouse could
not find Ben Mouse anywhere. He
looked all around the yard and under
the steps behind the stones, and then
he realized that he would give it up
and let Ben hide again, but still no
Ben Mouse could be found.
By and by his mother came back
with the crackers she had found and
called Timmy to supper, but when
she went for the cheese all she found
were crumbs, and not many of those.
"You had child," said his mother,
"you ate with my slipper."
"Oh, mother, I did not eat it!"

Every Woman's Boy in Camp
By HELEN ROWLAND.

HAVE you a boy in Camp?
Then cheer up, Lady Fair!
For I saw HIM the other day—and I envy you!
He was sitting on a log before the campfire in the Company Street.
And he held a huge tin cup of steaming coffee in one hand and a plate
of hot potato salad in the other.
And he was grinning joyously from ear to ear.
And eating with the appetite of a young ostrich—
Eating, as you never saw him eat in your life!
And with a relish for which a millionaire would give half his fortune.
And between mouthfuls I heard him sing out cheerfully:
"A light supper tonight, boys! Oh, a VERY light supper! Shadow
soup and lead balls! Oh, smell the lovely shadow soup!"
But the laughter that followed was neither shadowy nor leaden;
It was gay-hearted laughter from men full of health and hope.
Just half an hour before I had watched HIM,
Swinging an ax as lightly and easily as he once swung a foolish little
cane.
And singing merrily as he chopped firewood and flung logs on the
blazing campfires.
And then in the midst of it all I heard a bugle call.
And saw HIM, with hundreds of others, spring hastily into place and
raise his right hand to his forehead.
And stand in reverent silence while the bugler sounded "Retreat."
And never in all my life have I felt so near to God
As I did in that moment of vast quiet amid the campfires,
Under the pale wintry skies.

ND THIS, dear Lady,
Is the boy who used to grumble at having to get up at 7 o'clock
And to growl fretfully when you called him the third time.
And to complain when he had to go down and shake the furnace,
And to drop his clothes and his papers, and his cigarette stumps about
for you to pick up.
And to joy disdaintfully with his breakfast and fly into a pet if the
eggs weren't right, or the toast was burnt, or the cream was thin.
This glorious young Jove in woolen socks and big, stout boots
Is the boy who was always catching cold and waking up with a head-
ache.

And fussing because you had forgotten to mend his SILK hose,
Or because his cravats had been mislaid, or his trousers didn't come
from the tailor's.
This hungry, apple-cheeked, iron-nerved, steel-muscled, gay-hearted
young optimist, who stands so reverently at the sound of "Retreat."
Is the pallid pessimist who used to think it clever to talk cynicism and
agnosticism and the relative values of dyspepsia tablets,
And whom you had to DRAG to church!
And now, oh mother, or wife, or sweetheart,
Neither you nor all the king's horses and all the king's men
WILL EVER be able to make a mollycoddle out of HIM!
For I saw HIM, and I know
That in all these months, while Uncle Sam has been making soldiers
out of men,
He has also been making MEN out of soldiers.
And every star on your service flag
Stands for a SUPERMAN!

Ubiquitous.
"Why the hustle? The boss isn't
around."
"Sh-h, he's got a periscope and
dictagraph in his office."—Puck.
She: My French heels hurt me
this evening.
He: Yes, they hurt me, too.—Min-
nehaha.
So that a smoker can see what is
occurring behind him, an English
inventor has patented a pipe with
small mirrors on the bowl.

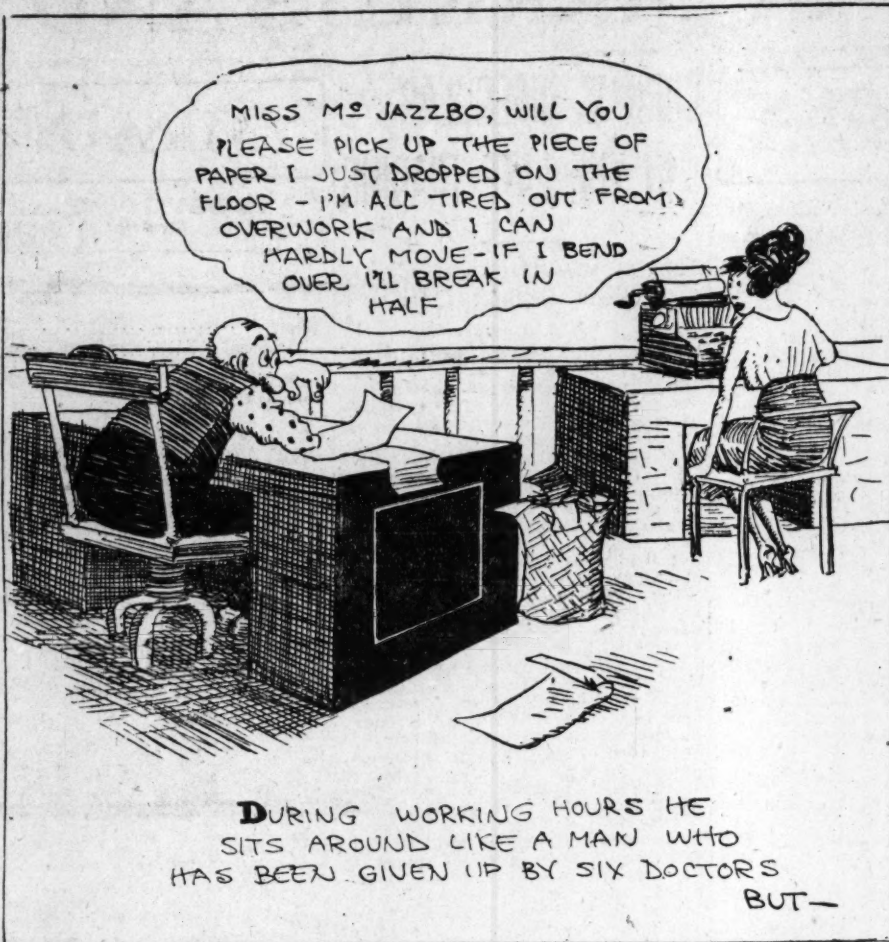
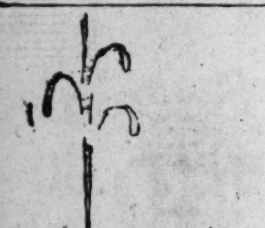
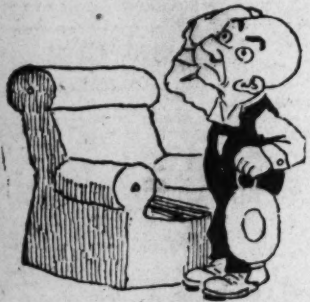
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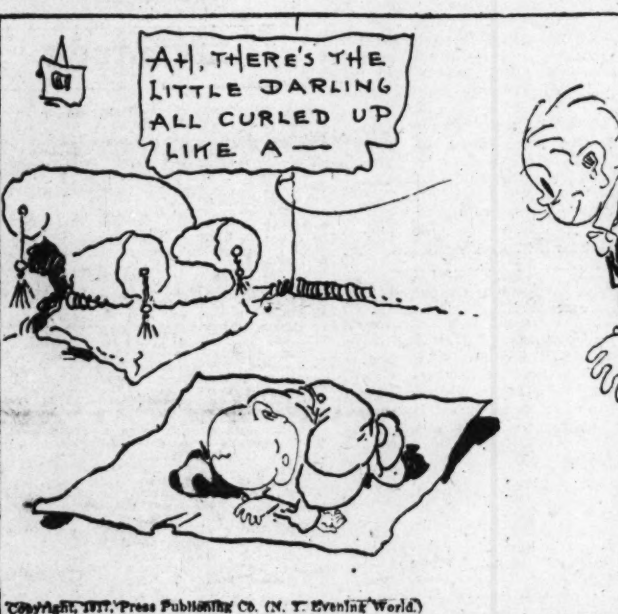
IT IS ONLY CALLED WORK WHEN YOU ARE PAID FOR IT—BY GOLDBERG

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He Should Have Conducted a "Leak Investigation" Before He Went Ahead!



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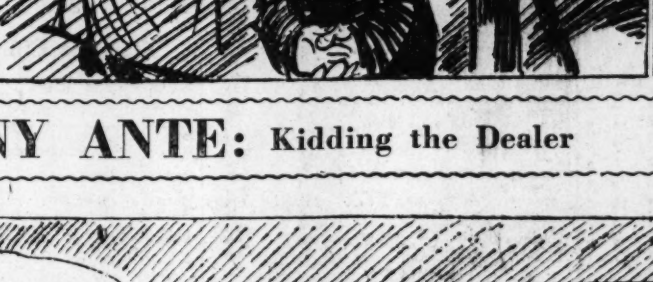
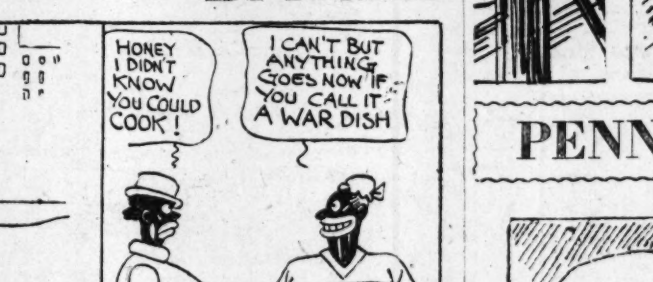


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